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Memorandum

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INVESTIGATION

Bureau File Number 66-10440

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles

DATE: 3-20-62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: John Birch Society
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[REDACTED] Fullerton, California, was contacted 3/19/62 by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in response to a request of [REDACTED] that he be contacted by a representative of the FBI.

[REDACTED] advised he requested that he be contacted in view of a press release which appeared in the Santa Ana Register and the Anaheim Bulletin on 3/13/62 alleging the members of an organization to which he belonged were a menace to the security of the U. S. Government and which he said inferred treason on his part.

[REDACTED] said as a matter of personal background, he was born and raised in Orange County. At present he is a practicing attorney in Fullerton, California [REDACTED] Richard Hanna, a California Assemblyman and candidate for election to Congress from the new 34th district. [REDACTED] advised he is currently [REDACTED] the Democratic Central Committee in Orange County and was formerly an [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said in the Fall of 1960 he became alarmed at the activities of the John Birch Society in Orange County and took a strong position in this regard. He continued that in October of 1960 he was requested by an acquaintance to join in on a county wide basis to organize against attacks on the public school system by the John Birch Society and other "rightist" groups. As a result of the request, [REDACTED] advised he met with a group of 25-30 individuals of the same views to form the Orange County Educational Forum. [REDACTED] said the group has had a number of meetings since the latter part of 1960 but that he personally attended only four such meetings. He said

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as yet the group has no formal membership or organization to his knowledge. [] advised the group has talked to him regarding a possible publication and possible incorporation, but there is not as yet any publication nor has the group been incorporated.

[] continued that about three weeks ago, the Anaheim Bulletin came out with a story that the Efficiency Research Bureau, an investigative agency, was investigating the John Birch Society. Subsequently, [] one of those who had attended meetings of the Orange County Educational Forum, met [] reportedly suggested that he was investigating the JBS and that he, [] should consolidate their information regarding the JBS and feed it to the American Civil Liberties Union.

Later, Bob Gier, Public Relations man and Republican candidate for Congress from the 34th district, called a press conference at which [] made accusations concerning a secret organization in Orange County which he claimed was collecting material to discredit the JBS.

Following the press conference, [] advised [] of the Efficiency Research Bureau, advised he did not approve of the press conference made by his employee, [] and therefore discharged him. [] also advised, according to [] that a review of [] files reflects the following names as members of the organization which he made the press release on:



[] said a press conference has been scheduled for 3/21/62 at which time [] has indicated he will disclose the identity of the above listed individuals. [] said he wished to be on record as having furnished the above information in view of the allegation that the members of the organization are a menace to the security of the U. S. Government. He said it is his intention to be present at the scheduled press conference on the evening of 3/21/62 and his future action will be dependent on what is said at this conference. [] also said that he would make

the statement if necessary that he had referred the facts to the proper Federal authorities.

[] advised that he feels that [] was used by Robert Gier, Republican candidate for congress to bring discredit upon Hanna, the Democratic candidate for congress, by casting aspersions at him, []. He continued that he thinks the whole thing has backfired and that Gier is now discredited.

[] categorically denied that either the Orange County Educational Forum or any of the people affiliated with it to his knowledge were other than loyal Americans who are interested in promoting support for the public school system and combating adverse pressures on this school system by the JBS and others in the "lunatic fringe" and "extremist right wing groups".

THE DAILY NEWS

GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA

March 19, 1962

Chief Investigator
Federal Bureau of Investigation
1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

On Monday, March 12, [redacted] then employed by Efficiency Research Bureau, of 800 South Brookhurst, Anaheim, announced to the press that he had uncovered a six-man "secret group" which is "a far worse menace to the security of our nation...than the John Birch Society or other similar anti-Communist groups."

[redacted] made his announcement while making public the first draft of an investigation he purportedly made of the John Birch Society for his then-employer, Efficiency Research Bureau, and for a man he alleges to be his client, [redacted] of Garden Grove.

Wednesday night, March 21, at 8 p.m., [redacted] plan to make public the names of the six members of this alleged group. This will be done at a press conference in the Embassy Room of the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim.

It is my understanding that the six persons named will be:

As one of the above-named individuals I would like to assure you that there is no such group in existence, and that the six men named are not associated in any group of this kind.

However, because the charge made by [redacted] is of grave consequence to the security of the United States of America, and because I am proud to be a loyal citizen of this nation, I feel that even this unfounded charge should be investigated by those authorities who are charged with this responsibility in protecting the security of this nation.

I request that you take immediate steps to investigate the charges of [redacted] I assure you I shall answer every question put to me and that I shall cooperate.

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with the Federal Bureau of Investigation fully and enthusiastically in such an investigation.

This alleged group has been widely publicized on television, radio, and local newspapers. I feel that these charges deserve your attention.

I speak only for myself, since I cannot speak for members of a non-existent group, but I feel confident that the other persons named by [redacted] would be glad to cooperate in this investigation.

Since my knowledge of the names is second hand, I suggest that you might contact [redacted], who resides at [redacted] Garden Grove, or [redacted]

[redacted] has been discharged by [redacted] Efficiency Research Bureau, I understand, but perhaps [redacted] could put you in touch with [redacted] may know the names of the six persons involved and may be able to confirm the information I have given above.

It is possible that [redacted] will be erroneously listed as [redacted]

As one who holds his country in very dear regard, I ask you to conduct this investigation. This is not the kind of information which should be used for a political football, although I believe this is what is being done with it.

If such a group exists, it is a menace to this country and this information should be in the hands of the proper authorities, not in the hands of a small-city investigator.

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Sincerely yours

La Habra, California
Phone: [redacted]

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'Anti-anti-Red' Prober Fired

Uncoverer of Anti-Birch Units Let Go by Agency

By DIXON GAYNE

News Staff Columnist

Investigator Earl Freeman, who charged Monday that there is a "secret anti-anti-Communist group" at work in Orange County, was discharged from his job with Efficiency Research Bureau last night.

The News learned exclusively yesterday that Freeman was dismissed without notice by Russell DeOrto, director of ERB. DeOrto refused to comment on his reasons for releasing Freeman but did say that the investigator would take the re-

sults of his "John Birch Society investigation" with him. "Efficiency Research Bureau is not in the business of political investigation," DeOrto said. "Our business is confined to commercial investigation only, and I want it to stay that way."

Freeman has been conducting an investigation on the John Birch Society on behalf of Garden Grove City Council candidate Raymond V. Long, president of an oil-equipment manufacturing company.

In a press conference Monday on behalf of his client, Freeman gave the Birch Society a "clean bill of health" but warned that there is a secret six-man anti-anti-Communist group at work in the county which he described as "a far worse menace to the security of our nation" than the John Birch Society.

Freeman refused to name the members of the group, but said that his client probably would make the names known within 10 days.

Although refusing to say whether he agreed or disagreed with the investigation, DeOrto said that any further information on the investigation would have to come from Freeman or his client.

"The Daily News"
Garden Grove, Calif.
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THOMAS WOOD - Editor

Los Angeles Office

Long, who is vice president of the Garden Grove Young Republican Club, reportedly told the Efficiency Research Bureau, through Investigator Freeman, that he wanted to know all he could about the John Birch Society.

Freeman said that Long did not say whether he is for or against the Birch Society. It is understood that Long's dealings with the research firm all have been with Freeman.

Long could not be reached either at his place of business or at his home for comment on whether he will go ahead with his plans to release information on the alleged six-man anti-anti-Communist group through Freeman. DeOrto emphasized, however, that his office will not release any further information on the investigation.

Equally unavailable for comment on the surprise move by DeOrto was Investigator Freeman.

Meanwhile, Long said in a prepared statement this morning that he will hold a special press conference next Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Embassy Room of the Disneyland Hotel to reveal the identity of the "secret six."

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Subject's name and aliases <i>John Birch Society</i>		Address of subject <i>100-59001 + no</i>		Character of case <i>IS - Misc</i>	
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Facts of complaint

Wanted to know if B could express opinion re John Birch Society, and was advised no. Stated he has friends in Society. Also stated his father died two years ago, and was working on machine gun patents for past 15 yrs. Bank in East has about 5 machine guns of his father, which he will soon obtain, and he doesn't want it thought he is getting the guns for the John Birch Society. Said he has been working with [Redacted] of Alcohol Tax Unit of U. S. Treasury Dept. Was told to take up matter with ATU and his attorney.

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(Agent)

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TO : SAC, LA

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: John Birch Society

At 10:45 AM, 3/22/62, [REDACTED] news bureau KTLA, Channel 5, Los Angeles, Cal., telephonically advised the writer that RAMON LONG, head of Varec Corporation, Garden Grove, California, had made some unusual comments relating to the above captioned organization before a group of about 1,000 at the Disneyland Hotel on the evening of 3/21/62.

LONG who is seeking election to the Garden Grove City Council explained that an investigation of the John Birch Society, it's programs and objectives, had been conducted by [REDACTED] for the Efficiency Research Bureau. LONG alleged that [REDACTED] investigation had turned up a group within the Birch Society which was engaged in secret or partially secret activities, which he inferred might be subversive. He commented to the audience that information concerning these persons had been "turned over to the proper authorities."

[REDACTED] interpreted LONG'S remark as indicating that this information may have been turned over to the FBI, and endeavored to obtain an expression from LONG as to the identity of the proper authority to whom this information was furnished. LONG, who was accompanied on the occasion by his attorney, refused to comment further on this remark; and [REDACTED] has decided to check various agencies in this area including this office in an effort to determine if LONG had, in effect, turned over any information, or if this was merely a "boast" on the part of LONG.

[REDACTED] was advised of the confidential nature of the Bureau files, which discloses of any information to unauthorized persons. [REDACTED] expressed disappointment that no comment concerning this matter could be made, but indicated that he realized the necessity for retaining Bureau information in confidence.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-0)(C)

DATE: 3/22/62

FROM : SA EDWARD J. KIRBY

SUBJECT:
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 Buena Park, California, on 3/13/62, contacted SA EDWARD J. KIRBY, telephonically and advised he had read a press release in the Santa Ana register by Private Detective EARL FREEMAN, concerning the Anti-Communists and the Anti-Anti-Communists. requested information as to what type of an individual FREEMAN was and what FREEMAN's purpose might be.

 was advised that the files of the FBI are confidential in nature and that no comment of any kind can be made.

 inquired as to whether we knew FREEMAN and whether or not he had been in contact with the FBI concerning this matter. was advised that no comment could or would be made.

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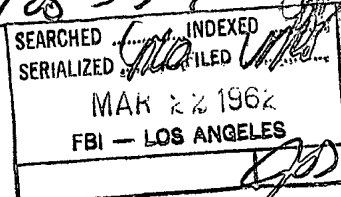
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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-0)(C)

DATE: 3/22/62

FROM : SA EDWARD J. KIRBY

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING
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On 3/17/62, [REDACTED] Fullerton, California, telephonically contacted the Santa Ana Resident Agency and asked to speak to SA EDWARD J. KIRBY. [REDACTED] advised that EARL FREEMAN, a Private Investigator who recently made a press release concerning the employment of himself by an Anti-Communist individual to investigate the John Birch Society, had been in touch with him. [REDACTED] went on that [REDACTED] appears to be a conservative and that he has been much more helpful to the Anti-Communist side than he has been to Anti-Anti-Communist group. He continued however, that he does not want to walk into a trap. He explained that according to [REDACTED] of Anaheim, has a set of files and that [REDACTED] was contacted by [REDACTED] when he found out that [REDACTED] was investigating the John Birch Society. [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] had dropped the name of SA KIRBY on one or more occasions and had also spoken of the FBI.

[REDACTED] said that he wanted to know whether [REDACTED] was alright and he indicated although he would not become specific, that some indication that [REDACTED] was receiving or had received information from the FBI concerning this matter. [REDACTED] was advised that we desired specific information concerning any such allegations by [REDACTED]. He stated that he did not want to talk over the telephone, but that he would come to the Santa Ana Resident Agency Office at 3:00 p.m. on 3/17/62.

[REDACTED] appeared at the San Ana Resident Agency Office on 3/17/62 and advised SA KIRBY and SA [REDACTED] that he first met [REDACTED] through [REDACTED] dentist at Fullerton, California. He explained that [REDACTED] is the dentist who was sued by Attorney [REDACTED] and a preacher at La Habra, who alleged that [REDACTED] had called the preacher a communist.

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[] said that [] told [] and told him that he had started an investigation of the John Birch Society in behalf of a client. [] said that during the course of the investigation he had been approached by [] of Anaheim. This opened the door for [] who carried on a number of conversations with [] and through these conversations, [] learned that [] has many files. [] went on that he had listened to tapes of telephone conversations which [] had recorded and these tapes contained information that is "dynamite." [] was advised that we desired specific information. He said definitely that these tapes were not obtained through wire taps, but that they were simply recordings of conversations between [] in one instance and between [] and an individual not identified in another conversation.

[] advised that [] had talked to him of getting the files which [] and photographing these files. [] said that he could not be specific, but that it is his recollection that [] told him or told [] who relayed the information to him, that [] had said something to the effect that the Bureau might be interested in getting and photographing these files.

[] said that [] mentioned the name of SA KIRBY several times, however, it was [] recollection that SA KIRBY's name was mentioned only as a name dropping thing and that [] had indicated only that he knew KIRBY. [] also indicated that he knew or had met other Agents. [] also commented that he had a former Agent and two former CIA Agent's employed by him. [] would not become specific during the course of the interview. He "shadow boxed" throughout the interview and he said that he desired to talk to [] in further detail in order to clarify in his own mind just exactly how he came by the information which he had alleged. He said he could not recall whether [] had made the comments directly to him or whether [] had told him that [] had made the comments to [] and [] in turn, related the information to []

[] was advised that the files of the FBI are confidential and that any information furnished to the FBI is confidential in nature. He was advised that [] did not at anytime, receive any information from the FBI and he did not receive guidance or council. It was pointed out to [] that the FBI as an investigative organization, has investigative responsibilities and must listen to people in all walks of life and that to make comment could do nothing except to destroy public confidence in the FBI. He was told that not only would [] not be given any information, no one else entitled to information would receive it. [] advised that he thoroughly understood the Bureau's position and that he in good faith, was bringing this information to the attention of the FBI so that the FBI would know what the circumstances were. He went on that he had no reason to suspect [] but that for some reason or other, he just does not trust []

[] was invited to call [] to refresh his memory and to enable SA KIRBY to interview [] by telephone to obtain specifics. [] said that he could not call [] at this time because [] is with []

[] indicated that [] was with [] preparing plans for the press conference which is to be held at the Disneyland Hotel on 3/21/62.

[] advised that he will confer with [] at his earliest opportunity in order to clarify exactly what [] has said to [] and to him and that he will contact the Santa Ana Resident Agency on 3/19/62 and advise of the results.

Birch Probe Report Branded 'Extreme'

A statement issued to the press by the Efficiency Research Bureau of Anaheim was "extreme," Raymon V. Long, sponsor of an investigation of the John Birch Society, said Wednesday night.

Long made the remark at a press conference in the Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, after earlier addressing an audience of some 1,000 in the hotel's Embassy Room.

Long, president of Varec Mfg., Inc., of Compton, has asserted he sponsored the bureau's investigation, but has yet to be billed for the costs.

Tells Press

He told the press Earl Freeman acted as chief investigator of the JBS and statements made at a press conference March 12 in the efficiency bureau's office weren't authorized by him.

In his "extreme" comment, Long referred to the last paragraph of the ERB's summary of the JBS investigation which said: "We find that there is a far worse menace to the security of our nation now operating in these counties (Orange, San Bernardino and Los Angeles) than can be charged to the JBS or similar anti-communist groups."

Long said he considered it an "extreme statement." However, he said he wasn't saying whether it was accurate.

Long, flanked by counsel, made these points at the press conference, where he was questioned considerably by Walter Chaffee, Orange County Democratic Central Committee chairman, and Dixon Gayer, a newspaper columnist:

—First he ruled out any tape recordings of the conference, but permitted TV taping.

—Freeman was invited, but as far as Long knew didn't attend the Wednesday night sessions.

—No comment on the fee in-

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Birch Probe

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involved for obtaining the JBS report.

—Varec didn't pay for the hotel space rental. Long said he would.

—Anything pertaining to a so-called secret six persons opposing the JBS will be turned over to proper authorities. (Earlier, he said the proper authorities were the FBI, grand jury and House Committee on Un-American Activities.)

No Comment

—No comment on the names of the alleged secret group.

—In the report to be turned over to authorities there will be more than six names and it will be up to the agencies to determine whether there is something unlawful going on.

—Freeman desires to continue his investigation in other areas, but Long won't finance the operation.

—He was called by Freeman two weeks ago and asked if he'd like to sponsor the probe. (It reportedly began on Jan. 5 before

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Freeman came to work for ERB)

—Long went for the investigation as long as it would be "objective."

—Denied a contention the whole investigation may be a hoax.

Long's public presentation in the Embassy Room dealt at length with the history of the JBS, its policies, the manner in which meetings are conducted, membership fees and its operational structure.

No Consent

He made it clear at the outset of the public meeting none of the material was to be quoted without his express consent. He barred tape recordings. At one time he

told a reporter he was out of order for asking a question.

Russell DeOrto, president of ERB of 800 S. Brookhurst, was called before the press after Long departed. Some of his observations:

He couldn't remember when the JBS probe was started.

Thought the bill for the investigation, which assertedly covered about two months, should be worth about \$2,500.

He hasn't submitted a bill to Long.

He has micro-filmed as much of Freeman's investigative report as he could find and has the material in his possession.

He did not authorize the report's release Wednesday night.

DeOrto entered an agreement with Freeman, authorizing him to do what he wanted to do with the report.

He was dissatisfied with what he saw of the Freeman investigation report and didn't believe there was enough in it to substantiate the security menace charge.

Who Ordered

DeOrto said he didn't know who ordered the investigation at the outset. He was asked by Freeman if he wanted to conduct the probe and agreed.

Freeman headed the investigation. It was decided to make the report public because of the pressure of telephone calls.

DeOrto said he feels he has "been used."

The ERB chief said he feels Freeman's report was accurate but that he "may have been carried away. I don't think an investigator has the right to form an opinion."

DeOrto said Freeman no longer is with his organization.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (~~66-4900~~)

DATE: 3/14/62

FROM : SAA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: 29 PALMS, CALIFORNIA
PALM SPRINGS RESIDENT AGENCY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[REDACTED] San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office, 29 Palms, California, Substation, advised on 2/27/62 that [REDACTED] a local resident of 29 Palms, California, had been contacting him on almost a weekly basis concerning the potential dangers by the Communist Party (CP) to our American way of life. [REDACTED] admitted to him that he was a member of the John Birch Society and explained that the Birchers are organized into chapters with a minimum of 8 people to each chapter. They attempt to keep each chapter limited to 8 individuals.

He said the John Birch Society was holding meetings on the evenings of 3/2 and 3/62 at the Disabled American Veterans Hall in 29 Palms, California, which meetings were by invitation only and the emphasis would be on increasing membership. Applications would not be filled in at the public meeting but individuals were requested to fill them out in private and turn them in at a later date. In this manner no one would be able to definitely determine which persons were members of the John Birch Society.

[REDACTED] said he discussed this matter with Inspector [REDACTED] San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office and [REDACTED] advised him that he could see no objection to attending the meeting if he so desired. [REDACTED] said he, for intelligence purposes, is considering going to one of these meetings and will advise SA [REDACTED] of the outcome.

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Chaffee Scoffs At Anti-Birch Charge

Orange County's top Democratic party official concedes that he "probably is one of the six persons" accused of planning anti-John Birch Society campaigns but scoffed at the charge that the group is "secret... or a threat to the national security" as alleged by an Anaheim investigation firm.

Walter Chaffee, chairman of the county Democratic Central Committee and law partner of Assemblyman Richard Hanna, freely discussed news stories which he believes refer to the Orange County Education Forum.

He said the group was formed "for the purpose of counteracting smears and unfair attacks which

have been leveled by right wing extremists against schools.

Views Charges

The former Anaheim Municipal Court judge said that newspaper stories based upon statements by the Efficiency Research Bureau (ERB) investigating firm have been of the nature "that either there are going to be some awfully big retractions or if the charge on being a threat to the national security is true, we should be arrested by the FBI."

"In essence, the statements regarding the latter matter are accusations of treason."

Chaffee said that word had gotten

ten to him "via the grapevine" that he and other members of the forum were likely to be named when the full report was disclosed. As a result, he contacted the FBI and conferred with agents and channeled to agents "all the information and background material regarding our purposes, formation and membership."

The Democratic party official said he had participated in numerous planning sessions of the forum group with four of the five persons he understood to be named in the ERB report.

Planning Group

Chaffee said Dr. Don H. Burke, an Anaheim dentist; Dr. K. S. Sargent, Chapman College professor; Dixon Gayer, Long Beach State College instructor and newspaper columnist; and L. J. [unclear]

[unclear], Anaheim biochemist, are the other members of the education forum planning group.

"As to the fifth other person mentioned I know of no person by that name and I am sure he has not been at any of these planning sessions I referred to. It must be a matter of mistaken identity," Chaffee said.

Earl Freeman, investigator for ERB, said that a group which he said was undermining the John Birch Society, has collected "anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, anti-Protestant and anti-Catholic and plans to release it in such a manner it will appear to come from JBS or other patriotic groups."

Chaffee categorically denies that the Orange County Education Forum had ever planned any such action.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-49599) DATE 3-19-62
FROM : SA [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: JEWISH FRATERNAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
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"March 12, 1962

"The annual concert of the Jewish Cultural Fraternal Clubs, sponsored by the L.A. Jewish Frat. Cult. Clubs, took place on March 11, 1962 at the Wilshire-Ebell Theater, 4401 W. 8th St., L.A.

"Chairman was NATHAN GARFIELD, who opened the function with brief remarks about the activities of the cultural Clubs. GARFIELD told the participants that the cultural clubs, besides being a Fraternity Organization, are also taking a part in a number of actions such as, collecting signatures on petitions and writing letters to Congressmen and Senators in regards to Federal Medical assistance for senior citizens. The clubs are also, said GARFIELD, taking an active part in fighting the Birch Society, because that society, according to GARFIELD, is a menace to freedom of speech and freedom of assembly. If they can call former Pres. EISENHOWER and Supreme Court Justice WARREN Communist agents, then you can imagine what their next steps could be.

"We also, said GARFIELD, are fighting Fascism and anti-Semitism. ROCKWELL is parading around in a Nazi uniform, holding speeches at different meetings. Some people say, he is half crazy and should be ignored. We say, he could be a menace if his membership becomes larger. Other people say, we have freedom of speech in this country, but of a man like ROCKWELL advocates mass murder of a minority people, then freedom of speech does not apply to him and he should be either in jail or in a crazy house.

"We are also taking an active part against Nuclear testing and against the fall out shelter program. Our city, said GARFIELD, is preparing to spend a few hundred million dollars for fall out shelters for protection against bombs and fall outs. We say, the whole thing is a fraud. There is no such a thing as protection against bombs and fall outs. The only protection we could have against war would be the banning of all arms and Nuclear weapons, concluded GARFIELD.

"Amongst others to appear on the program were the L.A. Mandolin Orchestra under the direction of MAX GRALNIK and the Jewish Peoples Chorus under the direction of GABRIEL SUNSHINE and accompanied at the piano by WALDIMER HILLE. Also on that program was a sketch titled "Bill of Rights."

"There were about 900 persons present at this function. Including there were JULIUS and Mrs. FINE, NATHAN and ANN SHAPIRO, BLANCHE SPINDEL and husband, SANFORD GOLDNER, YETTA HOFFMAN, MANNIE SMALLER, DAVE and ROSE STEPKIN, JACOB and Mrs. ASHPIZ, ABRAHAM MAYMUDAS, MORRIS FELDMAN, NATHAN and Mrs. KRUPEN, SAM and MIRIAM SHAG, MAX GITLIN, ABE BERNSTEIN, HARRY and Mrs. BOOKRINKSY, MARY KRAMER, NATHAN and SONYA AYROFF, HYAM and RUTH SCHWARTZ, Y. B. and GOLDIE CHERNITZKY, FRIEDA KING, AARON KURTMAN, SAMUEL FRANZBLAU, HARRY and SONYA AIROFF, ABE RASKIN, MARY GARFIELD, HARRY and Mrs. COHEN, SOL J. and SOPHIE BIALEK, EZRA ALTMAN, SOL GURA, JACOB and SOPHIE RUBIN, SCHIFFRA TAR, JOE and Mrs. BORENSTEIN, Mrs. JOSEPH WEISS, HYMIE and Mrs. BELOWITZ, HANNAH and Mr. GLASS, JOSEPH and Mrs. CARABELLO, SAMUEL DARDICK, SADIE DOROSHKIN, PEARL FAGELSON, MAX and MANYA RICH, SARA and Mr. YELLEN, DAVE and MARY RICHMAN, ISAAC and IDA MOLINSKY, B. MOSER, OSHER PINKUS, BORUCH POLLAK, SIMON RASKIN, AARON and Mrs. STEINHART, JULIUS SHULMAN, SIMON and MOLLIE TREIBISH, EZRA STEIN, RACHEL KLEINERT, MAX BORAK and ABRAHAM GOLINSKY."

ACTION

The names MRS. JULIUS FINE, SAM LEDERMAN, MRS HYMAN BUKRINSKY, and SOPHIE (MRS. SOL) BIALEK are being indexed to this memo.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (97-16)

DATE: 3/19/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: "PEOPLE'S WORLD" (PW)
REGISTRATION ACT

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	PW Committee meeting, 1/30/62.	2/9/62	writer	[REDACTED]

Informant furnished the following information:

Informant attended a meeting of the PW Committee, January 30, 1962; 20 attended, including the following:

cc: 1 - San Francisco (STEVE MURDOCK) - REGISTERED

100-4663 (BEN DOBBS)
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ESTHER BECKER
JIMMIE FANTAUZZO
ROSARIO ALARIO
DON QUINN
GLADYS ANDREWS
BETTY TZINBERG
ANNA SHIFFER
MARIE MARESCA
LENA FARBER
ED SANDLER
SADIE DOROSHKIN
CHASTON ROSTODHA
MAUREA RICHMOND
MR. GOLDIN
MILLY HELNOR

SOL ZORFAS reported that lamost 700 attended the PW Anniversary affair, and \$650 was cleared. JIMMY FANTAUZZO said that a bus went up from the Bay Cities with 70 people aboard. AL RICHMOND was criticized by SADIE DOROSHKIN for not playing up the bombings more in his talk.

15-20 young people are meeting with STEVE MURDOCK when he is in Los Angeles February 17-18, 1962.

SADIE DOROSHKIN read an evacuation notice which the PW received that afternoon. CP is also being evacuated. Mrs. BASS' affair at the Unitarian Church is being cancelled because BEN DOBBS is fifty years old and an affair is being planned for him, February 25 - 20 years in the progressive movement.

With respect to the bombing, letters are being sent the Mayor and STANLEY MOSK from the Committee and friends. A telegram is to be sent MOSK subject to REUBEN BOROUGH's ok.

DOROTHY HEALEY went to see the Mayor, and he wasn't in; left a message that the bombing was in the hands of the police, and their business.

SADIE stated that the PW was not communist controlled.

A man called the PW and stated the PW was to be bombed in a half-hour. ANGELO BERTOLINI answered. This was either January 29 or 30, 1962.

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A statement was made that the future belongs to us, with respect to the young people in attendance at Park Manor, January 28, 1962.

SADIE said she had a meeting with several young people, while they do not think in terms of Communism, they think in terms of socialism.

SADIE said that DOROTHY HEALEY and BEN DOBBS are going to try to do something with the owner of the building, to see if there is any objection to their remaining there.

SADIE stated that they are after us as well as the Communist Party. Then it will be the ACLU. LENA FARBER linked up the bombing with the Birchites, and we must not take this laying down.

LENA is to be the coordinator of all the outlying PW clubs.

MAUREA reported that BALI IORIO told her that he had talked with six to eight people and they were interested in a club, and wanted a list of readers in their area. LENA said she would mail one to him.

The PW has picked up 100 new subscriptions since the first of December.

SADIE asked that all monies that were to be given in March and April be given now as it was needed at once.

The name of PEGGY DENNISE was mentioned by SADIE for her work.

ACTION:

Delay was encountered in channelizing the above through agent handling deadline and other expedite work.

Informant was tardy in submission of above through recent indisposition from a back ailment.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

The following names are being indexed to this memo:
MILLY HELNOR and PEGGY DENNISE

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (97-16)

DATE: 3/20/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: "PEOPLE'S WORLD" (PW)
REGISTRATION ACT

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	PW dinner meeting 2/19/62.	2/26/62	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

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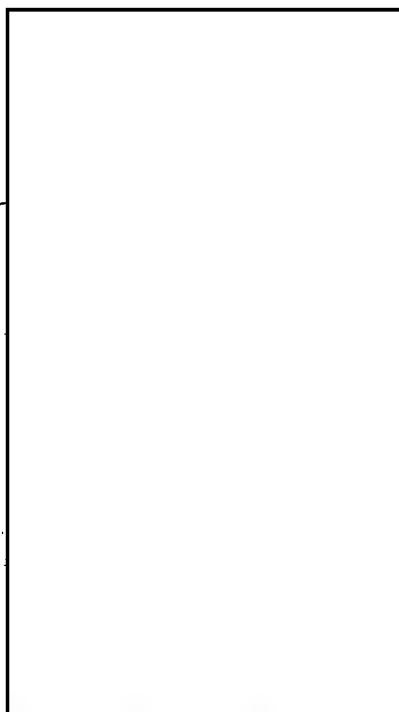
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"2/23/62

"The P.W. Dinner meeting with STEVE MURDOCK as the speaker was held this evening, Feb. 19th at the Park Manor, 607 S. Western Ave. There were approximately 60 people that attended this affair. Those present that I recognized by name were:

SADIE DEROSHKIN
STEVE MURDOCK
BEN DOBBS

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" BESSIE BLUMEN
JIMMIE FANTAZZO
ANNA MANDELMAN
ARVILLA JACKSON
SAUL ZORFUS
ESTHER BECKER
AMIEL FREED
TASSY FREED
FRANK LARKIN
ED SANDLER
MATILDA TOLLEY
JACK LUTZ
CLARA LUTZ
MINNIE SUSSMAN
ANN SHIFFRA
DON QUINN
SADIE BLOOM
BESSIE CHERNIN
MILLIE HELLMAN
CHASTON ROSTODHA
GLADYS ANDREWS
AL THIBODEAUX
BOB LARGE
JERRY EMIG
FANNIE GOLOS
CARRIE FITCH
BETTY ROSE EMBERG
ROY ALARIO
ANGELO BERTILINI
ETHEL BERTILINI
GERTRUDE MAYER
LENA FARBER
IDEL FUCHS

EDITH _____ ? (EDITH GLEMBOT) - a short small built
grey bobbed hair woman in her 60's & a member of
the Sou. Calif. P.W. Committee & lives either
in City Terrace or Boyal Heights;

IOROLA _____ ? - the Italian man Press Director of
the C.P. Section around Redondo Beach & vicinity

(BALILA IORIO) - 3 -

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"Mr. TRIVERS - an elderly short small built man around 72 years old who is supposed to work part time at the P.W. rummage store on S. Western Ave.

"After the dinner was served, SAUL ZORFUS - the chairman of the meeting introduced STEVE MURDOCK as one of the best political analysis. STEVE talked on the political situation, the coming elections, the candidates that will run for office, the Fresno Democratic Conference, the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, some of the present office holders, the John Birch group, etc. etc."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-24349)

DATE: 3/20/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)
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(DOROTHY HEALEY) (SI)

(BEN DOBES) (SI)

(PIERRE MANDEL) (SI)

(GUS HALL)

1 - San Francisco (REGISTERED)

100-23423 (POLITICAL ACTIVITY)
100-26045 (DOMESTIC ADMIN. ISSUES)
100-24345 (NEGRO QUESTION)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-24342 (LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES)
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"2/6/62

"A special meeting was held by the Executive leadership of the Southern California District, C.P. with the Section Organizers of the Southern Calif. District, C.P. This meeting was held on Saturday, February 3, 1962 from 10:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the home of BURNIE & ROSEMARY LUSHER; 2268 Holly Dr. Hollywood, Calif. There were 19 persons present; namely:

DOROTHY HEALY, (white woman)
FANNIE GOLOS, " "
REVA ZIWOLINSKI, " "
LILLIAN _____ ? " "

Note: I hade not seen
this person before.

ANITA ROSTODHA, (Negro ")
CHARLENE MITCHELL " "
BILL TAYLOR, (" man)
BEN DOBBS, (white ")
JOHN HELLMAN, " "
FRANK BEYEA, " "
RALPH HALL, " "
STEVE MURDOCK, " "
NEMMY SPARK, (white man)
PIERER MANDEL, " "
BURNIE LUSHER, " "
BILL ? " "
GEORGE WILLETT, " "
JOHN KICKERY, " "

and another white man whose name I do not know; he has attended some C.P. District meetings before, but is never vocal.

"Note: ROSEMARY LUSHER, did not participate in this meeting, but she was in the house all during the meeting.

"The meeting was conducted by DOROTHY HEALEY; chairman of the Southern Calif. District, C.P.

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"The first point on the agenda was a report by DOROTHY HEALEY, on a report by GUS HALL, to the National C.P.

"The 2nd point, a report on the California Democratic Council convention (CDC) which was held the weekend of Jan. 27th & 28th, 1962 in Fresno, California.

"DOROTHY HEALEY, reported on some of the highlights of GUS HALL's, National C.P. report, which points out that the year 1962, will have an increase of tensions world-wide with a sharpening of colonial struggles; the ci s struggle for re-division of the world common markets, and West Germany & Japan, gaining an enormous share of the common markets; U. S. imperialism against Cuba, is not winning a victory; others refuse to go along with the tactics against Cuba.

"The question of the women's fight for peace & President KENNEDY's State of the Union speech, is a break through on issues; the peoples movements are forcing towards their goals.

"DOROTHY HEALEY, stated that the California Legislative elections & the defeat of RICHARD NIXON, is an important step against the ultra-Right.

"The committee of 1000 for Representative Government & MOPA along with the peace movement for a peace candidate for the U. S. Senate is an important step towards peace, which is the key issue.

"RICHARD RICHARDS acceptance speech at the CDC convention & his stand against nuclear-war & the re-armament of Germany, points him up as a peace candidate worthy of full support for his election. The two minorities resolutions read at the CDC convention contained excellent language on nuclear testing & fallout shelters, and the USSR, betrayal of mankind on nuclear testing, the USSR was condemned, & President KENNEDY,

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"is urged to force non-further testing by all nations, through the U. N. This is very good towards increasing people's knowledge on the support of President KENNEDY's program for peace.

"What went into the CDC condention was that the year 1961, was good on the mobilization on peoples movements for Negro & Mexican American representation in government.

"DOROTHY HEALEY, pointed out that it is very important for the C.P. to support the movement for Negro & Mexican representation; and to defeat the two candidates of the John Birch Society:

"Also to see that the CDC does not become the propriety of the Democratic Party's professionals such as governor BROWN & others.

"NEMMY SPARKS, made a Legislative report based on the aspects of the CDC convention; he pointed out that the question of the world common markets is the main subject for the time being in terms of world relationship of forces. The whole 3 blocs of the Socialist & Capitalist world, make it possible for the prevention of a nuclear war. The important question is can a 4th bloc be welled in regards to the common market in terms of a United Europe, or a United States of Europe such as the U.S.A. of which a U. S. powers of Europe can equal the powers of the USSR or the U.S.A. in a long range scheme of the world common market:

"Germany, would predominate in the effect of a world common market, which Germany would be a base of a peace or war struggle, & create a tendency to bring the wage standard down to the lowest common denominator; this is why the common market project is meeting with tremendous resistance. The people of the U. S. must develop a dertermined struggle of protest against the U. S. profits in non-taxes in the common market & the building up of Germany, as a base for profits. NEMMY SPARKS, stated that only the determined people's

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"struggles will develop the common market.

"DOROTHY HEALEY, asked STEVE MURDOCK to give a complete coverage of the CDC convention held in Fresno, Calif. which he attended; and then a general discussion will follow the reports.

"STEVE MURDOCK, stated that his full coverage of the CDC convention will be in February 3, 1962 issue of the P.W., but however he will relate a few interesting high points of the convention to this group for advance discussion.

"Note: STEVE MURDOCK's report on the CDC convention in condensed form, was the same as appears in the P.W. issue of Feb. 3, 1962; his talk was a bit more dramatized which gave more stimulation to the meeting & the discussion which followed the reports.

"About 75 % of those present participated in the discussion, in the general C.P. manner. The discussion was held after the break for lunch."

ACTION:

Informant is endeavoring to identify the LILLIAN (LNU) and BILL (LNU) named in above quoted report. This is being followed with informant and as soon as they are identified, above information will be channelized to their respective files.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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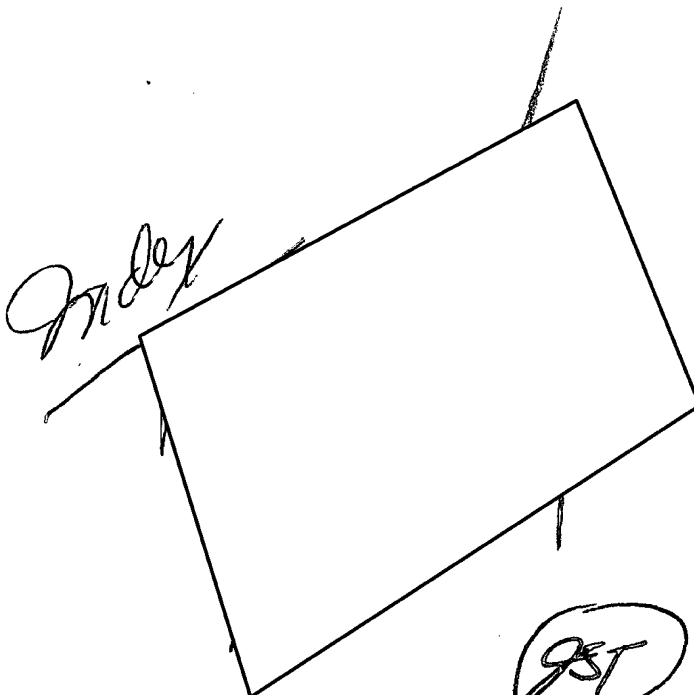
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Meeting conducted by Ramon A.
Long, regarding an independent and
private investigation of the John Birch
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March 21, 1962

MEETING conducted by RAMON B. LONG, associated with the VAREC Corporation, Orange County, regarding an independent and private investigation of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, held at the Disneyland Hotel Embassy Room, 3/21/62 at 8 p.m. Attendance: 800.

The meeting was listed in the lobby of the hotel under title of "Varec ---Embassy Room".

At about 8:20 p.m., Mr. RAMON B. LONG introduced himself and explained that this meeting was called by him to give a report to the people, which was the result of an investigation made by the Efficiency Research Bureau regarding the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY. Mr. Long said he was not a member of the society but for some time he had felt the need for an independent investigation into the activities of the society, inasmuch, as there have been charges and counter-charges made. Mr. EARL FREEMAN, an investigator for the Efficiency Research Bureau, made the investigation and Mr. LONG said that investigators were hired to infiltrate the various chapters of the JBS and give unbiased reports of what they found.

Mr. LONG read from the report; however, he stated he was only reading a portion of it, due to its length. The Report painted a very rosy picture of the JBS and stated that there were no secret meetings or cells as some people had charged. All the meetings were open to visitors.

Mr. Long proceeded to give a break-down of the BLUE BOOK, which is the official book of the JBS, and he stated that the Society was founded March 9, 1955 at Indianapolis, Ind. Long stated there had been charges made that the JBS was anti-Semitic and anti-Negro. These charges were proven false when a Negro operator was introduced at a Newport Chapter meeting of the JBS. He was very warmly received, and after the meeting the members stayed for over two hours, discussing what they could do to improve the Negro-White relationship. Long further stated there were Negro and Jewish Chapters of the JBS.

The investigators were first assigned to infiltrate the society on Jan. 4, 1962, and this investigation continued until about two week ago.

Long stated that certain individuals harbor prejudice and this was true of certain society members, but this was due to their prior education and not to the teachings of the JBS. Also, he said there were individuals who made statements which were not representative of the society. He said no individual is authorized to make statements regarding the society, and if a statement is made, it is also announced that this is an official announcement of the JBS. He said certain members, in fact a majority, disagree with WELCH on his statement regarding Pres. Eisenhower; however, they are united on Welch's policies.

Mr. Long stated that during the course of the investigation, MATTHEW CVETIC and KARL PRUSSIAN, both former under-cover CP members for FBI, were contacted and interviewed regarding the JBS. They both reported that, in their opinion, the society was a fine, patriotic organization, comprised of intelligent individuals, and further, the Press had been unfair in their attacks on the society and that he knew personally (Matt Cvetic) that the attacks on the society were directed from Moscow.

Mr. Long said that no portion of this talk could be taped or re-used without the express written permission of himself, and that the members of the press who were invited to attend this meeting would be given an opportunity to ask questions at a Press Conference immediately following the meeting in room 1117.

INTERVIEW IN ROOM 1117

Approximately 25 members of the press crowded into the small room after being carefully screened at the door by Mr. Long's attorney, RICHARD JACKSON from Anaheim.

Mr. Long was asked who was paying for the use of the hotel facilities; was it the Varec Corp., of which Mr. Long was an associate, or was Mr. Long paying for this personally? This answer was that the money was coming from his own pocket.

A question was asked that, inasmuch as this meeting had been called with advanced publicity, stating that Mr. Long would name the names of SIX individuals who were subversive and who opposed the JBS, why did he shy away from this point during his talk. Mr. Long said his attorney had advised him against making any public charges at this time, and that the names referred to have been turned over to the FBI.

At this point, the Press became a little incensed and charges were made that this whole meeting was a hoax created by Long for political reasons. They asked if it were not a fact that Long was a member of the YOUNG REPUBLICANS and that he was running for City Council in the City of Garden Grove. Mr. Long confirmed this, but stated this was not the reason for calling the press conference. The question was then asked - how long ago Long had received the JBS report, and he replied, "two days ago". He added that Mr. Earl FREEMAN, then of the Efficiency Research Bureau, had called him two weeks ago and asked if he were interested in sponsoring a report on the John Birch Society. Thus Long indicated that he was not the instigator of the report.

One of the reporters who seemed most incensed about the interview, and who asked most of the questions, was DICKSON GAYER, editor of an Orange County newspaper believed to be the Garden Grove News. He is also a Professor at Long Beach State College and a founder and president of the WEBSTER QUIMBLEY SOCIETY. Gayer stated that he had made an investigation of his own and he knew who the six people were to whom Long referred. As a matter of fact, Gayer said, "My name is among them, is it not?" Long stated that Gayer had said this not he.

At the beginning of the press conference, Mr. Long's attorney, Mr. Jackson, told the press that there would be no recordings of the conference allowed. Two gentlemen had just completed setting up a large professional-type recording apparatus when this announcement was made. They claimed to be from an FM station (possibly KFFK) and when Mr. Jackson said he didn't care where they were from, they pointed to a large movie camera set up which TV Station KTLA had provided. Mr. Jackson explained that they didn't object to audio visual recordings; rather just the audio type. The two FM recorders disgustingly put their equipment away and one of them proceeded to become one of the "star" questioners, along with Dickson Gayer. At one point, this man made reference to John Birch membership, and Mr. Jackson misunderstood and thought the man said he was a member of the JBS. Mr. Jackson thereafter referred to this reporter as a JBS member and after several references, the reporter jumped to his feet and with fists clenched and with a red face, he demanded that Mr. Jackson apologize for referring to him as a JBS member. Mr. Jackson quietly told the gentleman he had misunderstood him and that most certainly he would apologize for calling this man a member of the Birch Society.

The entire press conference consisted of personal jibes between Long, Jackson, Gayer and the FM reporter. After about 40 minutes, Mr. Long called a halt to the conference and left the room, at which time the FM reporter dashed to the door and brought in Mr. RUSSELL DeORTA, who is head of the Efficiency Research Bureau. The reporter asked the rest of the press to remain as they would really hear something now.

Mr. DeOrta related the following story under questioning: The Efficiency Research Bureau was formed by him in Dec. of 1960. It is located at 800 S. Brooker Ave., Anaheim. Until recently he had in his employee a Mr. EARL FREEMAN, who was the chief investigator. Some two months ago Mr. Freeman had come to him and asked if he would be interested in making investigations for the JBS. Mr. DeOrta answered that they would make investigations for anyone, providing it was legal and ethical. About two weeks later, Mr. Freeman asked DeOrta if he would be willing to make an independent investigation of the JBS, and DeOrta agreed, assigning Freeman to the case. The investigation was completed and a finished copy of the report given to DeOrta for his approval. Mr. DeOrta stated that the portions of this report which were read by Mr. Long at the meeting this evening were correct; however, the report contained the names of six individuals and it accused them of being subversive and in opposition to the JBS. The report failed, however, according to Mr. DeOrta, to substantiate the allegations made against these six persons. DeOrta quarreled with Freeman over the report and, as a result, Freeman was fired and told to take the report with him and not to associate the report with the Efficiency Research Bureau. Mr. Long, in his talk, stated that the report was made by the ERB, over the objections of Mr. DeOrta.

Mr. DeOrta was asked if he had received any money for the report, to which he answered "no". He said he hadn't even billed Mr. Long for it, as he was advised that it would be useless and he could not collect. He was asked what the cost of the report was and he said he felt \$2500 would be a reasonable fee. He was then asked if he did not have a public relations man working for him by name of ROBERT A. Gayer (ph), who was also running for the City Council in Garden Grove, and he said he did have such a person in his employe. He added that his company, the ERE, was basically a sales recording company which made commercial tapes for auto agency advertising. He stated he has been in investigative work for 18 years and is a former police officer.

Ramon P. Long is 33 years old and lives at 8871 Tracey Ave. in Garden Grove. He is president of the Varee Corp., at 2620 N. Alameda St. Compton.

The newspaper men present attempted to find EARL FREEMAN for comment; however, he was unavailable.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-

DATE: 3/29/62

FROM : SA EDWARD J. KIRBY

SUBJECT: THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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On 3/19/62 [redacted]
Fullerton, California, telephonically contacted SA EDWARD J.
KIRBY at the Santa Ana Resident Agency and advised that he had
talked in detail with [redacted] a private investigator, and
with [redacted] a dentist at Fullerton, California, over
the preceeding weekend.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] gave no indication
of any connection of any kind with the FBI. He did not indicate
that he had received advice, guidance, counsel, was associated
with, or in any way connected with the FBI.

[redacted] said that [redacted] claimed to have one
former FBI Agent and one former CII Agent working in his
employ.

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THE DIXON LINE

By DIXON GAYER



A STUDY IN TRUTH — If the audience which attended a "press conference"

Wednesday night called by Garden Grove city council candidate Ramon V. Long is a cross section of the citizenry of our nation today, Mr. Long will win a seat on the next city council and Chief Justice Earl Warren will most certainly be impeached.

Some 1000 persons jammed the Embassy Room of Disneyland Hotel to hear Mr. Long name six persons alleged to be "a greater menace to the security of the United States than the John Birch Society or any other anti-Communist group." Whoever made this promise welshed.

Before the party started, a doctor from San Merino approached me and asked if I knew the investigator who had conducted the "objective" John Birch investigation—because he wanted to invite him up to meet Robert Welsh this weekend.

Mr. Long finally called the meeting to order and read some extracts from notes he had in his hand, most of which, in turn, was extracted from the John Birch Society Blue Book.

Long silenced a gentleman from the press who tried to ask a question and said that his remarks—before an audience of about 1000—were privileged and could not be printed without his express permission.

When Mr. Long read parts of his notes outlining the current Birch Society activities—especially the Get-the-U.S.-out-of-the-U.N. project, most of the audience applauded vigorously.

Mr. Long then advised the group assembled that he would not name the six persons expected to be named, preferring to turn their names over to "the proper authorities" for study so that none of those named would be maligned.

He dismissed the 1000 persons in the general audience and then adjourned to another room for a press interview. Tape recorders were outlawed, although TV station KTLA was allowed to roll film and tape on the entire proceedings.

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IN THE INNER SANCTUM
Long was flanked by his recently

retained attorney Richard Jackson, who advised which questions could be answered and which could not. Long refused to allow Russ DeOrto, director of Efficiency Research Bureau into the interview session and could not explain the absence of investigator Earl Freeman, who he said had been invited to come.

In the meeting Long admitted that he thought Freeman's statements about the subversive qualities of the "secret six" group had been "extreme." He said he would not agree that this group is "dangerous to the security of the na-

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Los Angeles Office

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tion," and felt that this could only be determined by the authorities in an investigation of their own.

Long admitted that he came in on the investigation only two weeks ago, at the invitation of investigator Freeman. He refused to name the fee he would be charged for the investigation.

Long was completely bewildered by the question of who had sent the press release to members of the press, inviting them to attend. He said he had not sent it; the Young Republicans (of which he is vice-president) had not sent it; the Varec Corp. (of which he is president) had not sent it; Robert Geier (press agent for ERB and a candidate for Congress) had not sent it. The questioning on this point ended in a stalemate, and one reporter said, "It's a miracle we got here at all."

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DISGRUNTLED MEMBERS of the press felt that Long was arbitrary and evasive in many of his answers—but they had no such charge against Russell DeOrto, who was called into the room by reporters after Long left.

DeOrto said he had dismissed investigator Freeman from his firm after reading the report because he felt "the report does not substantiate Freeman's charges."

De Orto said it is not the place of an investigator to draw conclusions; only to report facts.

DeOrto said he feels he and his firm "have been used" in this investigation. He said that he has not been paid a cent for the work.

He said he will release none of the material in the report because he believes it to be libelous, slanderous, and defamatory.

DeOrto said, too, that he had not authorized Freeman to turn the contents of the report over to Long; for the mass meeting staged Wednesday night.

The director explained the principal work of his firm as "recording" (especially for automobile agencies) the sales techniques of their salesmen. He says his firm is in the commercial investigation field, principally, and that "this was Earl Freeman's account."

Although he agreed that Long had only been "in on" the investigation for a short time, he had signed contract for the investigation from Long dated in January. He showed the contract to members of the press.

DeOrto says he wants to wash his hands of this whole affair and get back to his business, which he claims has suffered as a result of this investigation.

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IN ONE CLASH with counselor Jackson, representing Long, reporters were asked how many in the room did not know the names of the "secret six."

About half of the persons in the press room said they either knew none of the names or only some of the names. Others knew them all.

I advised Long and Jackson that, through my own investigation, I obtained the list of names almost a week before and that on Monday of this week I had turned them over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the House Committee on UnAmerican Activities.

I told them that I believe the entire charge is a hoax, that there is no such six-man secret group. If there is any evidence of such a group it should be in the hands of the FBI and the HCUA, not in the hands of a city council candidate and a small city investigator.

I have volunteered any and all information I have been able to obtain to both the FBI and the HCUA.

My charge again, here in print, is that this charge of a secret group of any kind involving the names in this ERB report is a hoax.

Whatever Mr. Long's reason for releasing the information he has already authorized, it is obvious beyond a doubt that he has displayed, at best, a naivete which ill-fits him for the responsibility of public office.

ON THE OTHER HAND, Russell DeOrto's insistence on telling the whole truth is to be wholeheartedly applauded. Since he is not a candidate for public office, we can only wish him well elsewhere.

It isn't easy to admit that you have been party to this kind of fantastic fiction. A veteran of 18 years of private investigation, DeOrto is proud of his history. He wants to forget this whole episode.

Columnist, Demo Urge U.S. 'Anti-Birch' Probe

By WAYNE CLARK
News Staff Reporter

ANAHEIM — News Columnist Dixon Gayer and attorney Walter Chaffee, chairman of the Orange County Democratic Central Committee, last night disclosed they have asked for official federal investigation of a report of a "secret six anti anti Communist group."

Gayer and Chaffee made

the disclosure at a press conference in the Disneyland Hotel last night after a public gathering of some 1000 persons who turned out in response to announcements that the "secret six" would be named. They said they had requested an investigation by the FBI and House Un-American Activities Committee.

But a Garden Grove Council candidate, Ramon Long, who

claimed he sponsored the private investigation which resulted in the public charge last week, reneged on the public announcements and refused to disclose his report on the "anti anti" group.

Long stood before the mass audience and read a white-wash report on the John Birch Society, most of it from the Birchers' own "Blue Book," written by the society founder, Robert Welch.

Long said a full report on results of an "impartial ob-

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jective" investigation of the John Birch Society would be released "with a week."

Preliminary press notices issued in the name of the City Council candidate had promised fireworks with the naming of the Anti-Birch "secret six." At last week's press conference the "secret six" had been labeled as "a more dangerous menace to the nation's security than the Birch Society or other anti-Communist groups."

BIRCH SLOGANS

The Disneyland Hotel's biggest conference room was packed with people who cheered when Long mentioned "get the U. S. out of the UN" and "impeach Earl Warren," Birch Society slogans.

But Long, counseled by attorney Richard Jackson of Anaheim, declined to name the "secret six" whom he said were turned up by a private investigating firm which he had hired to conduct an "objective, impartial investigation" of the Birch Society in Orange, Los Angeles and Riverside counties.

SAYS HE'S PATSY

Later, in a hotel room jammed with reporters and a crew from TV Channel 5, Russell De Orto, veteran investigator and owner of Efficiency Research Bureau of Anaheim, the firm hired to make the

investigation, made a shattering charge.

"I believe the whole thing was set up by the Birch Society before they ever brought it to me. I think I was used," he said.

De Orto disclosed that he had fired the investigator who had made the contact with Long "because I did not think the evidence he collected substantiated the conclusions he made."

A week ago Long and Efficiency Research Bureau had made banner headlines when a press conference called to disclose that ERB had uncovered a "secret six anti-Communist" group while making an investigation of the Birch Society.

UNVEILING PROMISED

Spokesmen then promised that a second press conference would be called to make a full unveiling of the investigators' report on the "secret six" and the Birchers.

Long last night, however, disclaimed any responsibility for last week's press conference and the published stories. While reading parts of what he claimed was the Birch investigation report to the audience of 1000, he told members of the press that they could not quote him without express permission.

Whereabouts of the investigator, identified as Earl Freeman, was a mystery. De Orto charged that Long and Jackson "told him to get out of town."

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Furthermore, De Orto charged, he received an anonymous phone call from a man who threatened:

"Keep your mouth shut about the Birch Society if you want to live."

He said he did not recognize the caller and did not report it to the police.

De Orto added that Long had also told him to "get out of town for a week."

The ERB owner said he had not received payment for the investigation, conducted by his former employee and several others, and "under the circumstances I don't expect any."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)

DATE: 4-3-62

FROM : SA EDWARD J. KIRBY

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 3-20-62, a letter was received from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] La Habra, California, in which he
makes reference to himself to the John Birch Society, and
to a so-called investigation by [REDACTED] of the Efficiency
Research Bureau.

Effort was made to personally acknowledge this
letter on 3-22-62. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] was
in Sacramento, California, and would not return until the
late evening of 3-25-62.

[REDACTED] was telephonically contacted on 3-26-62, and
arrangements were made for him to come to the Santa Ana
Resident Agency Office to discuss this matter.

On 3-26-62, [REDACTED] advised SA HENRY F. ALSTON
and SA EDWARD J. KIRBY that he is very concerned about the
activities of [REDACTED] a private investigator, formerly
employed by the Efficiency Research Bureau.

[REDACTED] presented pages torn from the "Register," a
publication at Santa Ana, California, dated 3-13-62, 3-14-62,
and 3-22-62. These articles quoted FREEMAN, among others,
as saying that there were certain individuals in the community
who belong to a secret group which is "a far worse menace to
the security of our nation than the John Birch Society or
similar anti-Communist groups."

[REDACTED] went on to say that he is not a member of any
secret group, and in particular, is not a member of any six
man group. He said that he had formerly met [REDACTED]
only during the past week. He said he did attend an organi-
zation meeting with about 25 individuals who were concerned
about public education, and whose purpose was to support
public education. He said that this was not a secret meeting,
and there were four news men present at the meeting. He said

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he assumes the six men who were a part of this so-called secret group were present at the organizational meeting, and perhaps at subsequent meetings, but that there was nothing secretive concerning this. He said he personally attended four meetings of this group, which he named The Orange County Educational Forum, but that he was not a member of the organization. He said, as a matter of fact, this is not a membership organization, and although membership was discussed because of planned incorporation, he did not think that formal membership in the organization exists.

[redacted] stated that the six persons who comprised the so-called six man secret group are [redacted]

[redacted] and himself.

[redacted] went into some discussion about his dislike for the John Birch Society, and he stated that among other things, he formed the Webster Quimmley Society. He said the Webster Quimmley Society has members not only in the United States, Canada, and Mexico, but that also in a large number of the other areas in the world. He stated that he is personally not a Communist, and has never been a Communist. He claimed that he is opposed to Communism. He stated that he seriously resents any allegation impugning his loyalty to the United States, and that he would like to take whatever action he can in order to clear his name of any suspicion. He went on that he was available to answer any questions which the FBI might desire to ask.

[redacted] was advised that the FBI is an investigative organization, and that we do not clear anyone or offer clearances. He was advised that our duties include investigation of violations of the laws of the United States, but that our duties do not include making a comment in matters such as this, and that no comment will be made.

[redacted] advised that he came in fully understanding that no comments would be made, and that he was not seeking an expression of any kind from the FBI. He said he merely wanted to be on record as to where and how he stands. He was advised that his comments would be made a matter of record.

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Subject's name and aliases JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY <i>100-590018</i>		Address of subject Nipomo Union School Dist., Nipomo, Calif., WA 9-3211		Character of case MISCELLANEOUS	
Complainant [REDACTED]		Complainant's address and telephone number [REDACTED]		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 4/6/62 Time 9:39 AM	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Scars, marks or other data [REDACTED]				
	100-31066-10 (SL)				
Facts of complaint 116-482893 Complainant advised that he serves as [REDACTED] of the Nipomo Union School District, Nipomo, California, but has resigned effective at the end of the school year, and has obtained a position as [REDACTED] of the International School in Libya, same being a private school which is sponsored by the Rockefeller Foundation. He stated that a friend who he did not wish to identify, had invited him to attend a seminar to be conducted on 4/14 and 4/15/62, at a location unknown to complainant, with sessions to be conducted by Mr. WELCH, the founder of the organization, and to last from 9 AM to 5 PM each day. He asked if the FBI would like for him to attend the seminar for the purpose of obtaining information concerning what when on at the meetings. He was told that he could make his own decision in the matter, and that the FBI would not instruct him either to attend or not to attend. He stated that under those circumstances, he would not attend the seminar, since he was not in sympathy with the John Birch Society.					
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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)
RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is one copy of a full page advertisement which appeared in the Los Angeles "Examiner," 4/23/62, entitled "Welcome HCUA," which advertisement is sponsored by the John Birch Society, Belmont 78, Massachusetts.

This advertisement contains a reprint of the major part of "Communist Target-Youth." This advertisement also states that this message is printed as a public information service, as well as a welcome to the dedicated legislatures who make up the HCUA, by the greater Los Angeles chapters of the John Birch Society, and contains a listing of numerous chapters of this organization in the Los Angeles area.

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Subject's name and aliases HUCA HCUA			Address of subject			Character of case Security Matter C			
Complainant [Redacted]			Complainant's address and telephone number Rosemead, Calif [Redacted]			Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 4/23/62 Time 7:15 pm			
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace			
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion				
	Scars, marks or other data								

Facts of complaint

[Redacted] is a John Bircher and inquired if we had any objections to him and some 60 friends parading with placards welcoming HUCA to the Federal Building tomorrow. Said he did not want to do it if police had any objections. Referred him to PD.

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Subject's name and aliases UNSUBS: ANONYMOUS PHONE CALLS AND MAIL IN LOS ALA- MITOS, CALIFORNIA		Address of subject		Character of case JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY	
Complainant		Complainant's address and		Complaint received <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 5-8-62 Time 2:52 PM	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Birth date and Birthplace				
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Facts of complaint

Complainants advised that after they had opposed Anti-Communist measures at PTA Meetings at the school in Rossmore Homes, Los Alamitos, California they have been harassed by anonymous phone calls and mail calling them Communists and Birch Society tracts. are being mailed to them anonymously.

Complainants advised that there was nothing here within our investigative jurisdiction.

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Subject's name and aliases		Address of subject		Character of case <i>murder</i>	
Complainant <i>[Redacted]</i>		Complainant's address and telephone number <i>[Redacted] La Habra, Cal.</i>		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date <i>3-31-62</i> Time <i>10:48 P</i>	
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	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
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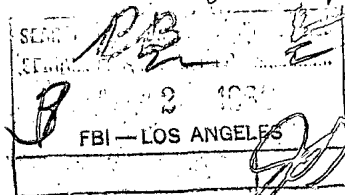
Facts of complaint

C. stated he talked to SA Kirby at Santa Ana earlier this week in regard to a report that he was connected with an Anti Anti Communist groupe. C. stated he furnished this information to SA Kirby and that s nce that time he had been receiving telephone calls and when he answered the phone the caller hung up. C. said he was a newspaper writer and that he wanted the FBI to know he was not a member of this group and that he wanted to report to the FBI these telephone calls. He stated he had reported the telephone calls to the Sheriff's Office.

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[Redacted]
Venice Calif.
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To whom it may concern:

I'm interested in all literature you may have concerning the John Birch Society.

As a citizen I am interested in knowing as much as possible about this organization.

Sincerely,
[Redacted]

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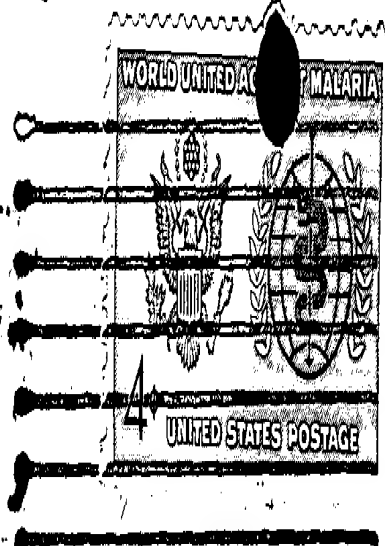
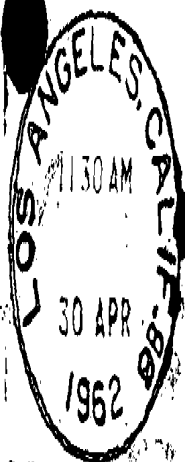
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[Redacted]
Venice, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Thank you for your letter of recent date.

While I sincerely appreciate the interest which prompted your inquiry, I must advise you that by order of the Attorney General information in the files of this Bureau is confidential and available for official use only.

I am sure you will understand the reason for this rule. No inference, of course, should be drawn that we do, or do not, have information regarding the subject of your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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Political Clue

Student Tells New Threat

SAN DIEGO, April 5 (AP)—One of the founders of a student right-wing political group which lost a member by hanging last week said today that he had been threatened.

He is Charles Barrack, 19, who reported to police that an anonymous male caller told him by telephone Wednesday night, "You are next."

"It sure scared me," said Barrack. "I was really shaking. It may have been a joke but I don't know."

LEADER RESIGNS

The new scare report followed disclosure Wednesday by Billie Lutz, 19, that she had resigned as president and member of the Students for Freedom group at San Diego State College "in fear of my safety."

Her fear, she said, was based on the hanging death of Newton E. Armstrong Jr., 19, a member of the group.

BLAMES REDS

Armstrong's father, a member of the John Birch Society, declared his son was murdered by Communists. Dr. Robert W. Chamberlain of Coronado, who first examined the body, said today that it did appear from wrist marks that the youth's hands had been tied behind his head.

Coroner Robert L. Creason has expressed belief young Armstrong died by accident or suicide. He said his hands could have become entangled in the rope.

Dist. Atty. Don Keller is continuing an investigation.

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Robert Welch, leader of the ultra-conservative John Birch Society, was in Bakersfield this morning for a meeting with Birchers and other interested persons.

The closed-door meeting was held at Maison Jaussaud's and attendance was "by invitation only," a spokesman said.

Welch greeted all guests personally after their names had been checked from a list at the door.

It could not be determined how many persons attended the meeting. However,

at 9:15 a.m. there were more than 40 cars in the restaurant's parking lot.

Welch refused to discuss the purpose of the meeting with The Bakersfield Californian reporter.

He walked away, refusing all comment.

The reporter also was not allowed to stay for the meeting.

Owen N. Dailey, Bakersfield advertising man, who spoke for the sponsors of the meeting, said, "This is a private meeting. It's not a meeting of the John Birch Society although there are some Birchers here."

Asked if it was strictly a Bakersfield or Kern County meeting, Dailey said that persons attending were from other areas too—but he refused to elaborate.

Although an advertisement in today's issue of The Bakersfield Californian asserts that Robert Welch will appear on Channel 29 Monday at 8 p.m. to give viewers "... an unprecedented opportunity for everyone to hear ... to decide for themselves ... the validity of Mr. Welch's views on contemporary American history," Mr. Welch refused to talk to a reporter assigned to interview him about his views on contemporary American history.

The televised version of Welch's views will be sponsored by The Freedom Forum of Bakersfield, according to the advertisement.

Shuns Reporters

A United Press International representative in Fresno called Welch this morning and asked why Welch was in Bakersfield and why the meeting was secret. "You are not going to interrupt my meeting," the Birch chief answered.

"Do you have anything to say about Governor Brown's charge that your organization is devoted to the big lie and the big smear?" the bureau man asked.

"No comment," Welch replied and hung up.

An Associated Press staffer attempted to reach Welch by a long-distance telephone call and was informed that "Mr. Welch is not taking any more calls from newspaper people."

BIRCH SOCIETY FOUNDER EXPLAINS OBJECTIVES

(Editor's Note: The following item was prepared by Owen Dailey, Bakersfield advertising agency operator representing Robert Welch and others sponsoring a two-day secret meeting in Bakersfield.)

Approximately 70 guests attended a two-day seminar Saturday and Sunday, conducted by Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society. Attendance was by invitation and included community leaders with interests in conservative government from most of the San Joaquin Valley.

Much of the 15-hour session was devoted to world history and the types of government involved since the sixth century B.C.

Welch discussed the strengths and weaknesses of various forms of government, pointing out as students of history have before him, that as government becomes more powerful, individual liberties become less.

Welch drew a parallel between the struggle between ancient Athens and fascist Sparta and that of the free world versus Communism today. He noted that while much of Athenian culture remains today, little Spartan influence is in evidence. Welch designated Communism as a conspiracy and emphatically not an ideology as claimed by its sympathizers.

In discussing the 10-point program of action by the John Birch

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Society, Welch designated the society's aims as basically educational and cited its principal interest in "less government and more individual responsibility."

In a telecast on Channel 29 tonight, Welch is expected to break precedent and give public exposure to the aims and principles of the John Birch Society. It is believed that this will be the first such public discussion of the society's background and objectives ever made.

A sampling of opinions of those present at the two-day seminar showed universal disagreement with recent statements by Gov. Brown that the Birch Society is a "conspiratorial group." Other interested comments included observations on the monolithic structure of the society often publicized. Dictatorial control cannot exist in a voluntary association, Welch said and rather than members being told what they must do, they are asked to do only what they believe in.

As to religious bias, Welch said "we are merely urging Protestants, Catholics, Jews or Moslems to be better Christians, better Jews or better Moslems, in accordance with the deepest and most humanitarian promptings of their own religious beliefs." As to conspiratorial designs, Welch said "while we are opposing a conspiracy, we are not ourselves making use of conspiratorial methods."

While a handful of Birch members were present at the seminar, this was the first exposure to the interests of the John Birch Society by most guests, a society spokesman said. He added that the majority of opinions expressed by Welch were readily available to anyone interested enough to order the society's Blue Book, available from the Birch headquarters at Belmont, Mass.

A standing ovation for Welch terminated the two day meeting, held at Maison Jaussaud. Welch carried the entire program himself without assistance from relief speakers.

Chaffee, Gayer, Butka Sued For Written Letters

A million-dollar libel suit naming Dixon L. Gayer, a newspaper columnist for an Orange County daily newspaper, prominent Orange County attorney, Democratic Central Committee Chairman Walter B. Chaffee, and Don H. Butka, was filed Wednesday with the clerk of the Superior Court in Orange County.

The lawsuit, brought by N. Earl Freeman, investigator of the Birch Society, claims that the three-some mailed identical, malicious and defamatory letters to the publishers of two newspapers, one of them The Register.

The letters, Freeman said, labeled his investigation of the ultra-conservative group a "hoax," stated that he was fired by his employer when the employer learned the investigation was a "hoax" and that the purpose of the investigation was a conspiracy to smear reputable people.

The letters clearly imputed "fraudulent motives" behind the investigation, Freeman said, and directly charged him with unprofessional conduct, untruthfulness, and extreme negligence and carelessness in the conduct of his business.

Freeman said he in fact has spent years as a private investigator in Orange County, building up a reputation for careful, conscientious and honest work in his chosen field.

One of the letters, he charged in his lawsuit, flatly stated that "the entire investigation was a hoax and the result of a conspiracy among members of the John Birch Society."

Freeman claims that the letters were sent to and read by the publishers and staff members of the two newspapers, and that the result has been great harm to his reputation and employability as an investigator.

The lawsuit asks for a total of \$500,000 in actual damages and another \$500,000 in punitive damages, plus court costs and "any other relief" which seems, to the court, to be appropriate.

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Chaffee Statement Correction Reported

In the March 22 Morning Edition of The Register on page 1, an article was printed which was headlined "Chaffee Scoffs at Anti-Birch Charge." In this article, The Register reported a summarized account of a telephone interview held on March 20th between Mr. Walter Chaffee and Register Reporter Bill Farr. The article, as it was published, did not, we feel, report the complete interview. In the interests of space and brevity, our editorial staff did not publish a verbatim account of the entire interview. As a result of this unfortunate journalistic shortcut, the article did not accurately report the Chaffee interview. Mr. Chaffee has demanded, and we feel quite justifiably, that our article be corrected and that the substance of the entire interview be set out for public inspection so that the public will be under no false or erroneous impression as to precisely what was said and what was not said between Mr. Chaffee and Reporter Farr.

The March 22nd article reported that Walter Chaffee conceded that he was probably one of the six persons accused of planning anti-John Birch Society campaigns. In point of fact, Register Reporter Bill Farr did ask Mr. Chaffee if he had seen an article in the publication "Americans on Guard" which listed Mr. Chaffee as a probable member of the "secret group" mentioned in the well-publicized Efficiency Research Bureau report. Mr. Chaffee, in response, said, first, that there was no such secret group, and, second, that he had not seen the article, but that he understood it named him as a member of an alleged secret group concerned in the Efficiency Research Bureau report.

The March 22nd article also

reported that "Chaffee said that word had gotten to him 'via the grapevine' that he and other members of the (Orange County Education) Forum were likely to be named when the full Efficiency Research Bureau report on the operations of the alleged anti-John Birch Society was disclosed."

In point of fact, Register Reporter Bill Farr did ask Mr. Chaffee if he knew of any other possible names which might be connected with the so-called "secret group." When Mr. Chaffee replied, in substance, that he might know some possibilities, Reporter Farr read him a list of five names, asking Mr. Chaffee if these names were the "possibilities." Mr. Chaffee did not answer Reporter Farr's question directly, but answered that all but one were members of the founding group of the Orange County Education Forum. The conversation between Mr. Chaffee and Reporter Farr then changed to the subject of the Orange County Education Forum, its aims and

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More About Chaffee

(Continued from page A1)

purposes. These aims and purposes, Mr. Chaffee said, included the promotion of public education and the protection of school systems against smear attacks. There was a brief discussion of the Orange County Education Forum as Reporter Farr had not known of the Forum's existence prior to Mr. Chaffee's comment. Mr. Chaffee then criticized at some length The Register's treatment and prior publication of articles concerning the controversial Efficiency Research Bureau report, and the interview ended.

The Register sincerely apologizes to Mr. Walter Chaffee, Dr. Don H. Butke, Dr. Kurt Buegel, Mr. Dixon Gayer and Mr. Leo V. Corbett if the article has caused any of them embarrassment. The Register's only excuse is that the always hectic pace of newspaper reporting and editing does occasionally result in confusion and error, which is certainly unintended.

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Chaffee— Set To Defend

Walter Chaffee, Orange County Democratic Central Committee Chairman being sued in a \$1 million libel complaint, said Thursday he still believes the Efficiency Research Bureau's so-called investigation of the John Birch's Society was a "hoax."

Chaffee, newspaper columnist Dixon L. Gayer and Don H. Butka, Anaheim dentist, were named in the suit filed Wednesday by private investigator Earl Freeman who worked on the investigation for the Efficiency Research Bureau.

The Democratic Central Committee Chairman said he is prepared to defend himself in the libel action and is "prepared to prove everything I said."

In commenting on the case, Chaffee said he found it "kind of interesting" that Freeman "finally showed up."

He referred to the fact that Freeman was not present at a March 22 meeting at Disneyland Hotel when the results of the Birch probe were made public.

Ray Long, president of Varec Mfg. Inc. of Compton, who ordered the investigation by the private investigation firm, said at the time of the meeting that he did not know where Freeman could be located.

His whereabouts were also a mystery to other members of the investigating firm.

Butka, when asked for comment on the suit against him, termed the entire libel action "ridiculous."

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Between The Lines

By EDITH KERMIT ROOSEVELT



A CONFUSED PROGRAM

The John Birch Society publication American Opinion was recommended by the Army for two years for anti-Communist troop indoctrination.

The Army also recommended other publications and organizations used by Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker for indoctrination of troops overseas — such as the Dan Smoot Report, Human Events, Manion Forum and the Church League of America, headed by Edgar C. Bundy.

These sources of information are listed in "A Guide to Anti-Communist Action" distributed as recently as Nov. 9, 1960, by the office of the deputy chief of staff for Army operations. Army records disclose 100 copies of this guide were ordered by Gen. Edwin A. Walker for use in his own troop information program in Germany.

The Army memorandum, in the possession of this writer, was sent to 19 armed forces schools, the eight armies and 23 other branches of the Army. Then Army's "Guide to Anti-Communist Action" also lists Americans for Constitutional Action, publishers of the ACA Index, a guide to congressmen's voting records. One month before this — on Oct. 8, 1960 — the Walker division newspaper Taro Leaf recommended the ACA voting index.

Yet, according to testimony by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara before the Senate Armed Services Committee on Sept. 6, 1961, Gen. Walker's recommendation of the ACA Index violated the Hatch Act.

Significantly, after the Communist Party directive of December 1960 which cited anti-communism as a specific target and major threat to the Reds, "inflammatory" and "biased" materials for troop information were ordered removed by the "no-win" pro-socialist civilian clique in the Pentagon and State Department. But they saw to it that anti-anti-communist publications got to our most sensitive command posts.

A few days ago a Defense Department spokesman told this writer that the Air Force was continuing to distribute Air Training Command Manual 50-7, "Freedom and Professional Leadership," at its training posts. The anonymous author or authors of the manual, dated March 1959, equate Americanism, American constitutional government and American ideas with the communist totalitarian system. A chart in the manual presents these "distressing similarities between communist doctrine and American behavior."

* "Communism as a religion" use of moral arguments" and American "cynical regard for use of moral force."

* "Communism as a religion" and "Americanism" or "democracy" as a religion."

* Communist "purging of heretics" and American "loyalty and smear programs."

* Communist "no civil rights" and American "unequal status of certain citizens."

* Communist "comprehensive secret police network" and American "growth of the FBI."

* Communist "expression of moral indignation at the immorality of capitalism" and "our 'information' caused by

How our military is the target of propaganda bordering on the subversive is reflected in the ATC manual's characterization of the FBI, one of the main guardians of our national security, as a "national secret police agency."

Under the guise of cold war troop indoctrination, the manual appears to echo the cry raised by the Communist Party against congressional anti-subversive investigations when it states:

"There is a danger, too, that in our desire for national security, we may through loyalty programs, security checks and witch hunts place a premium on political, intellectual and aesthetic conformity."

If there was any objectionable material in the publications recommended by Gen. Walker it is dwarfed by the other material distributed on military posts.

At present, materials for troop indoctrination are only reviewed by our military intelligence agencies on request. What we need-

ed is the development of a trained corps of propaganda analysts in our service intelligence agencies to scrutinize subversive content and to ensure that it provides a clear understanding of the Communist enemy.

It is not too late!
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THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

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Canoga Park, California

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ROBERT WELCH

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Executive Committee
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Thank you for your letter of March 14th. Please accept Mr. Welch's apologies for not answering your letter personally. He is away from the office at this time.

We are very sorry to learn that you have decided to resign from The John Birch Society. As requested, we have removed your name from our membership files. I did want to comment on some of your reasons for resigning, for I think there are several misconceptions in your mind regarding the work the Society is doing. In the Blue Book, which all members are asked to read and study very carefully, Mr. Welch points out that he is trying to weld together Americanists so that they can become united in their efforts to turn back the collectivists. Realizing that Americanists tend to be individualists, as we like to see, they are naturally more difficult to work with in a unified way. Our enemies do not have this problem, for they have surrendered their individualism and no longer can think for themselves.

In no way have we ever participated in the political arena as a body. We have asked our members to always work as individuals and support the candidate of their choice. We have tried to supply our members with facts and information which we hope will enable them to work for men and women who are dedicated to American principles. We certainly have never stated in any of our publications that it is better not to vote than to take second best. Nor have we ever advocated any new political party.

As to being ridiculed for writing your Congressmen and Senators, let me say that those who are doing the ridiculing should ridicule Mr. Welch and almost the complete membership. For we advocate such projects constantly. Again, we are very sorry that you have decided to resign from the Society. Let me take this opportunity to wish you success in all your patriotic efforts. And with good wishes, I am,

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Sincerely,

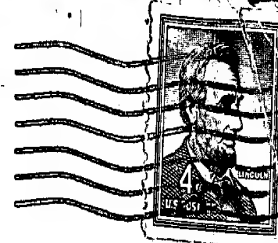
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From: [redacted]
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Dear Sir,

Inclosed, please find two letters which may be of some interest to the F.B.I. in some small way. The first letter was sent by me to the John Birch Society as a resignation from that organization. The second is the reply which I received in return.

I joined the Society in July of 1961 in the hope that I could find some honorable way to make my voice heard in support of our American system and way of life and against those who would destroy it. I did not mind that there was a smear campaign on against the Society because many of the people doing the yelling were also against our way of life. At first, at the meetings, there was some good patriotism shown, then things began to change. The chapter leader, who was [redacted] of [redacted] Woodland Hills began finding fault with our present type of government. Not just the political party in office, but the system itself. As time went by, I found the emphases shifting away from the Communist problem and the support of "Americanism" to a feeling of a vacuum. Then [redacted] came up with a new political party which is alright in itself, except that the purpose seemed to be one of getting rid of what seemed to be all systems of law and government.

At the same time, I began noticing that there were fewer people at the John Birch meetings which were held in his home. I stopped attending the meetings on the night when the President of the U.S. was

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To: Mr. Robert Welch
The John Birch Society
Belmont 78, Massachusetts

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Since I joined the Society last July, only 3 month's dues have been collected from me. I have attended only about half of the meetings but have seen the membership of chapter #276 grow small and stay that way. I have noticed a lack of support of other Pro-Americans and as a matter of fact, other J.B.S. members. I have heard suspicions expressed by members about each other. I have been ridiculed for having bothered to write my Congressman and Senators. I have been told that it is better not to vote than to take second best. There is also much which I do not fully agree with in the way of statements which you have made from time to time. I realize that any effective anti-Communist will be misquoted and ridiculed, but I have been able to see where some of your statements require more proof before you make them. As for my local chapter, I do not think Communism can be stopped by Repealing Income tax or starting a new political party.

I love my Country and I was glad to have risked my life in her defense during the Korean War. I have four children to whom the future belongs. I will give the last drop of my blood in an effort to pass into their hands the torch of liberty which I inherited from my father and his before him who have defended this Country since the Civil War in every War. Our current enemy cannot be defeated by a divided front. I cannot see how the John Birch Society can help this American in his duty.

I therefor resign from the John Birch Society effective now.

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in town on a tour and Clifton and his small group wanted me to go with them to picket outside of the Hollywood Paladium with signs which read in part: "DO YOU TRUST YOUR GOVERNMENT" and other slogans which were not against Communism or our aid to Tito etc. This was sort of the last straw for me. After thinking it over for awhile, I quit the entire organization in disgust. However, I do know some other members which were not in this group who are in my opinion, very good Americans. In the literature which I have received from the home office of the J.B.S., I have not seen anything which I would call Anti-American in anyway. But my letter of resignation speaks for itself.

As for [] I have never argued with him strongly about his ideas and I don't loose my temper easily. He and his close friend (I can't remember his name but I could point out his home) have an old offset press in [] garage. They turn out bushels of propaganda of all kinds. Some of it is good and some does not do what it should when it comes to being patriotic because of the "Slams" against our government and those who are trying to fight Communism.

I hope you can use what I have told you in some small way. If I can ever be of any assistance whatever, please call on me. I will always be glad to serve my country in any way I can. If you wish to call me, I am home untill 8:25 AM every day of the week. My home phone is []

Sincerely,

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1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California
May 14, 1962

[Redacted]
Canoga Park, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Thank you for your recent letter and its enclosures. Your interest in making this information available is indeed appreciated.

The contents of your letter will be made a matter of record in the files of this office.

Very truly yours,

W. G. Simon

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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Defends Welch

Your editorial opinion on reflecting the Communist conspiracy with the John Birch Society was a masterpiece of mis-directed logic.

Your conclusion was that the Society was totalitarian, yet Robert Welch consistently calls for less government, more responsibility, and a better world.

How you can equate less government with totalitarian is beyond me!

I realize that your editorial policy is anti-Birch, but if you are going to assume this position (which you have every right to do), then you must define your terms more explicitly.

What is wrong with the Society? Does it advocate violent overthrow of the government? Does it operate unconstitutionally? Is it subversive?

I am not a member of said Society, but I am quite confused because of the diatribe that you level at it all the time when you have a chance.

Your editorial infers

that Representative Hiestand is a totalitarian . . . also Representative Rousset, but it also infers that Representative Roosevelt and Representative Corman are devout anti-Communists. Please justify this.

One more chore . . . please show your readers with irrefutable evidence that the ADA's policies within the United States have materially slowed down or stopped the internal subversion that exists.

I say here that the danger to this country consists of the middle-of-the-road extremists, the apologists to the Soviet Union, the peace marchers, the appeasers, and the hope-we-can-negotiate-with-them crowd.

The positive force of our Constitution and the free enterprise system will whip any attempt to take us over. This means that those who are for it are the winners, and those opposed will be the losers. — John A. Gay, Woodland Hills.

Editor's Note: We have repeatedly expressed the grounds for our objections to the John Birch Society, i.e., the insistence of its leader upon complete monolithic control its downgrading of the democratic processes of govern

ment, its use of half-truth and innuendo to create fear and hatred within the community and its admitted use of Communist tactics. The editorial in question went to considerable length to point out that the ADA was organized to fight the Progressive Party campaign of Henry Wallace for president, in which the Communists, whether invited or otherwise were strongly entrenched. It made no reference to any Congressman. Reader Gay, himself, seems to have reached the ultimate refinement of dialectic materialism with his attack on "middle-of-the road extremists."

Received by mail from Mrs. NANCY TEVIS, Reseda, Calif. 5/11/62

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RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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Birchers Not 'Extremists'

Readers' Forum: In a recent edition of your fine newspaper there was a vicious attack on the members of the John Birch Society which should not go unanswered, since it was full of lies and half-truths. Many of my friends are members of the society and are wonderful persons from all walks of life and all professions. It is impossible for me to stand by and allow them to be attacked as "hate merchants" by one who obviously has a full supply of hate in her system.

Further, her description of Birch members as "extremists" is a preposterous statement and cannot be backed up by facts. They may be extremely patriotic, which is certainly commendable; they may be extremely proud of our Constitution, free enterprise, capitalism, our country and our flag, etc. Is this to be criticized? As to being divisive, it is the liberals and Fabian socialists of the country who have divided our citizens into blocs, for voting purposes; blocs of different religions, color, labor unions, etc. All good anti-communists (including Birchers) want to unite the nation in an awareness of the aims and methods of those in the communist conspiracy.

Possibly Inez Robb doesn't believe J. Edgar Hoover, but the Birch members do. He feels that all segments of our

society have been infiltrated by communists and that we should be conscious of this fact. Is he thus casting doubt on our churches, spreading suspicion of our schools, reflecting on the labor unions' patriotism, etc? She is quick to label Birchers as fascists, but doesn't one find that she is guilty of what she falsely accuses the Birch members?

—ROBERT H. LEEBODY.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001-)

DATE: 6/8/62

FROM : IC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
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Levada

[REDACTED] Cudahy, California
[REDACTED] telephonically advised for additional information that
[REDACTED] has picked up a large part of the reloading equipment that
has been stored at the Hollywood Gun Shop.

According to [REDACTED] current rumor has it that [REDACTED]
is either connected with the JOHN BIRCH Society (JBS) or possibly
the "Minutemen."

[REDACTED] furnished the following descriptive data for [REDACTED]

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	30's
Height	5'10-11"
Hair	Dark Brown or Black
Complexion	Medium
Build	Slender-Medium
Employment	(Possibly) - Cal-State Builders, Inc. 717 North Highland Avenue, Hollywood, California

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM ** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-26200) DATE: 5/18/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MAY DAY COMMITTEE
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cc: [REDACTED]

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100-4486 (DOROTHY HEALEY)
100-59001 (JBS)
100-4663 (BEN DOBBS)
100-34349 [REDACTED]
100-43317 [REDACTED]
100-23660 (ROSE CHERNIN)
100-25403 [REDACTED]
100-4963 (PETTIS PERRY)
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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"May 5, 1962

"A May Day meeting sponsored by the LA May Day Committee took place on May 1st, 1962, at the Park Manor, 607 S. Western Ave., LA.

"Chairman was BILL TAYLOR who opened the function with brief remarks about the significance of celebrating May Day.

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"TAYLOR then introduced DOROTHY HEALEY as a great leader of peace, socialism, etc. etc. who received a standing ovation. DOROTHY HEALEY's talk centered mostly around the coming state elections. She attacked and ridiculed RICHARD NIXON, candidate for Governor for the State of Calif. and also attacked the John Birch Society and the ultra-right movement.

"DOROTHY HEALEY also spoke out sharply against MAX RAFFERTY, who is a candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction. She called him the favorite son of the right extremist.

"Next to be introduced by the chairman was BEN DOBBS who spoke about his experiences recently with the House on Un-Americanism. He said he was questioned for 3½ hours in regards to the Communist Party, it's activities, etc. He ridiculed the committee and the chairman, who presided at the hearing, Representative CLYDE DOYLE. He told the meeting that he stood on his rights to take the 1st and 5th amendments and refuse to answer all questions put to him by the committee, except when asked whether his name was BEN DOBBS. BEN DOBBS also ridiculed the committee for the great fuss they were making about a picture of himself, while carrying a banner during a picket demonstration, to protest the invasion of Cuba. Those were the highlights of BEN DOBBS' talk.

"BEN DOBBS then told the meeting, that in order to continue the fight for the elimination of the House Committee on Un-Americanism and the Walter McCarren Act, funds are badly needed. He then asked for contributions. Special prepared ushers picked up the contributions in bread baskets.

"The chairman then introduced the speaker of the evening, HERBERT APTEKER, editor of POLITICAL AFFAIRS and a Marxist scholar. UPTHAKER began his talk

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"by saying: When Socialism comes to the United States, he then repeated himself, I say, when, it will come only when the majority of the American people want it so passionately that noone can stop them.

"UPTHAKER then spoke about his experiences in Germany, after the 2nd World War, while being a major in the U. S. Army.

"At the conclusion of his talk, UPTHAKER told the participants that 5000 U. S. army men are now fighting in Viet Nam. After preparing the assembled with tales of horrors of the 2nd World War, UPTHAKER concluded his talk by saying: We want our boys back home. He received a big applause.

"The entertainment part of the program was provided by a group of singers who led the participants in mass singing of Marxist songs, accompanied at the piano by WALDIMAR HEALEY.

"There were about 800 persons present at this function. Amongst others there were:

ROSE CHERNIN
PAUL KUSNITZ
PETTIS PERRY
FRANK SPECTOR
NAMI and MRS. SPARKS
HELEN WHITLEY
NATHAN SHAPIRO
SAM and MRS. KUGLER
MARY GARFIELD
BLANCHE FROTKIN
ROSE ROSENFELD
CLEVELAND HARRIS
NATHAN BUCHMAN
ED and FRIEDA KING
JIMMY FANTAUZZO

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"YETTA HOFFMAN
SAMUEL FRANZBLAU
ABRAHAM GOLINSKY
MORRIS DECHTER
SOL BIALEK
SHIRLEY TAYLOR
ANGELO and ETHEL BERTOLINI
COY BUTLER
GENE SERENO
ALVERA JACKSON
MORRIS FELDMAN
SCHIFFRA TAR
MAX and RUTH GITLIN
SOL ZORFAS
ESTHER BECKER
SAM HOLZMAN
GERTRUDE MEYER
MINNIE POLLAR
PEARL FEIGELSON
SAM BELSKY
ED SANDLER
MINNIE SUSSMAN
ANNA MANDELMAN
TED and RIVA ZWOLINSKY
MARY GOLDSTEIN
HARRY and SONYA AIROFF
ISAAC and IDA MOLINSKY
BESSIE BLUMEN
JACOB ASHPIZ
JOHN KYKYRI
ABRAHAM MAYMUDAS
VICTOR MAYMUDAS
ABE BERNSTEIN
MAX AND MRS. STEINBERG
DAVE and FRIEDA DIAMOND
HARRY BRUMBERG
MYRA BARNS and husband
ISADORE and MARY MERLAND
MRS. NATHAN KRUPEN
HANNAH and MR. GLASS
OSHER PINKUS
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"BENJAMIN KRASNOW
PIERRE MANDEL
DORA HYATT SHAPIRO and husband
HARRY VOLINSKY
MAX and GISHA RESNIK
MOLLIE DARDICK
HELEN COSTELLO
ALEX PECICO (PASSIKOFF)
LOUIS SCHWARTZ and
HARRY CARLISLE"

ACTION: INDEX: VICTOR MAYMUDES

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

[REDACTED]
Hollywood 46, Calif.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Would please send me any information you have on the John Birch Society. I Have joined the organization and must go along with what they stand for atleast on the serface. But as you stated in your book, one of the best things the Communists are best at, is getting the oposition to inadvertantly do there work for them. In your opinion, is the organization legitamett, and are any of its aims what in your opinion, a detriment to the Country or the Constitution of the United States of America?

Sincerely Yours,

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June 6, 1962

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[Redacted]
Hollywood 46, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Your letter postmarked June 1, 1962, has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, may I point out that the FBI, as an investigative agency of the Federal Government, neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. In view of the foregoing, I am unable to make the recommendation you requested. I am, however, enclosing some material I hope you will find of interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-363) DATE: 5/31/62
 FROM: SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN
 SUBJECT: FREEDOM RIDE, 1961
 IS - C; RACIAL MATTERS

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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] Canago Park, California, who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Meeting featuring Freedom Risers, 23456 Welby Way, Canoga Park, California, 5/9/62	5/14/62	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant furnished the following handwritten report and literature:

"On the evening of May 9, 1962, I attended a meeting of the New Frontier Democratic Club at Welby Way School Auditorium, 23456 Welby Way, Canoga Park.

cc: [REDACTED]

100-59007 (COMINFIL CDC)
 100-21191 [REDACTED]
 100-41537 [REDACTED]
 100-53490 [REDACTED]
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 105-255 (CORE)
 100-5589 (NAACP)
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"The meeting was called to order by SAM WINNIKOFF. One of the members led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The minutes of the previous meeting were then read by PAULINE POSNER, recording secretary. There were many announcements made about coffee hours, dinners, raffles etc. for several of the candidate.

"Mr. HOWARD LARMAN, who with his wife, arranged the program for the evening introduced Mr. EARL WALTERS, from the Los Angeles Chapter of C.O.R.E. Mr. WALTERS then suggested that the film be shown first, followed by a question and answer period.

"The film 'Freedom Ride' showed a bus carrying 'freedom riders' to the South and the experiences which they encountered along the way. It showed scenes of white men beating the 'freedom riders.' One 'rider' JAMES PECK required 53 stitches following the attack by white men. At one point in the trip, everyone got out of the bus because of a flat tire. They were again attacked and beaten and the empty bus bombed. There were several scenes showing heavily armed army men and policemen with guns drawn protecting the citizenry from the 'freedom riders.' They were arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, tried and sent to jail. The film portrayed the 'freedom riders' as heroes and heroines who were ready to be beaten, jailed even die for the negro to be given equal rights in the South.

"At the conclusion of the film, Mr. WALTERS introduced Mrs. SYLVIA RICHARDS, Director of Public Relations for CORE (also a board member) and HERB MANN, a 'freedom rider.'

"Mr. MANN stated that Americans should practice what they preach when they say that this is one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all. Civil rights should be for everyone. We should live in peace, and love our fellow man.

"Mrs. RICHARDS told of the purpose of C.O.R.E. She said CORE was not like the Commission on Human Relations and the Fair Housing Council. These organizations seek out people who are willing to sell to negroes. CORE tells the negro to find the home he wants, where he wants it, and try to buy it. If the owner will not sell it to them to report this to CORE. CORE will then try to force the owner to sell by staging 'sit in' demonstrations. She cited the case of the Negro physicist from Monterey Park as an example. She stressed the importance of electing liberal candidates. Once they are elected they should be pressed to keep their campaign promises especially those concerning civil rights.

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"Mr. WALTERS was asked to give his views on the recent muslim incident. Mr. WALTERS replied that the police were guilty of malpractice. The policemen have been so propagandized about the muslims being a hate group, out to kill off the white race, that they (the policemen) came out shooting. He thought it ironic that at first the grand jury was going to investigate the muslims (although one of the muslims were killed and several wounded) and now the attorney general is going to investigate how the police handled the situation.

"Mr. WALTERS was then asked if the negro leaders favored the muslims.

"He said there were a few things that the negro leaders didn't agree with them on. He doesn't think that the muslims are out to kill off the white race. He said the muslims figure the white people will kill each other off and the muslims figure that they will be around to take over.

"Someone asked if the Muslims were to the negro groups as the Birchers were to the Conservatives, a pain in the neck.

"Mr. WALTERS couldn't think of anything that the Birchers did that accomplished anything positive whereas the muslims have brought dignity to the negro community. He said that whenever you see a muslim he is clean and neatly dressed. They are very strictly disciplined if they don't abide by the rules. They are forbidden to carry arms.

"He was then asked if the NAACP & CORE agree and if they work together.

"Mr. WALTERS replied that the local NAACP and CORE get along well and they cooperate on many things. He said that there were some chapters of the NAACP that don't get along well with CORE but that is not the case here.

"Mrs. RICHARDS' son, DAVID, also a freedom rider was introduced and took a bow.

"It was announced that there was a table with literature both free and for sale. The free literature is enclosed."

[redacted] (Conceal) also furnished the following literature, which she obtained at the above meeting:

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1. Pamphlet titled, "this Is CORE," issued by CORE in New York, but bearing the rubber-stamped address, "Congress of Racial Equality - CORE - 1115 West Venice Blvd., Los Angeles 15, Calif." (Location:)
2. Pamphlet titled, "CORE - Rules for Action," also issued in New York, and bearing the same Los Angeles rubber-stamped address. (Location:)

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

*From the Desk of
Dave Heyler*

PERHAPS GOVERNOR BROWN should worry more about explaining the part he played as president of the Lawyers' Guild . . . his footsie with C.D.C. and A.D.A. . . . the Chessman case . . . etc., than whether Nixon is going to back certain Congressmen who have publicly stated they were members of the John Birch Society.

Many earnest conservatives (not fascists or Nazis) have joined the John Birch Society in desperation and hope for some organization which could stem the swing to the left . . . which preaches turning our armed forces over to the U.N. . . . destruction of the Congressional Committee on Un-American activities, doing away with the Pledge of Allegiance to our country and the opening of our school and college facilities to known Communist speakers, etc.

The John Birch Society or one like it could be constructive if its leader hadn't espoused the slandering of leaders of both parties with the charge of being active Communists or "knowing tools of Communists," and further if he hadn't preached in his book (which he calls private, privileged letters) the way to fight Communism is the Communist way of slander and accusation, whether true or not, of those who opposed his teachings.

I HAVE A COPY OF "THE POLITICIAN" by John Welch in my possession. (Not to be confused with the Blue Book). I have personally requested that I be permitted to print it verbatim. I'm sure all newspapers in the country would be glad to do so.

John Welch has not only refused to permit same but most have been retired from public availability.

I believe if "The Politician" were printed, the John Birchers would be the first to oust John Welch . . . or resign.

This is all Dick Nixon, who has read the book, is suggesting.

Why, Mr. Welch, are you refusing to permit "The Politician" to be published?

Afraid of your own words?

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 6/28/62

FROM : SA ROMNEY STEWART

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
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100-23423 (POLITICAL ACTIVITY)	
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)	
100-25365 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)	
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On 6/14/62, [] furnished SA ROMNEY STEWART with a typewritten report as follows:

"June 14, 1962

"A meeting of Section Organizers and Coordinators of the C.P., SCD, was held Wednesday night, June 13, 1962, at the Hungarian Hall, 1251 S. St. Andrews Place, Los Angeles, at 8:00 P.M. The meeting was chaired by DOROTHY HEALEY.

"There was a one point agenda: analysis of the recent elections in California. The first hour and a half was spent by reports from each Section Organizer or Coordinator on the statistics of the election: number of voters, precincts, votes, etc.

"NEMMY SPARKS then summarized the election, stressing the following points:

"1) Necessity for sustained efforts to elect Governor BROWN.

"2) Dangerous gains of the Birch-aligned candidates, of whom he said there were six in Southern California, including DICK WILSON, FOOTE (San Diego), Hiestand, THOMAS, and ROUSELLOT. The main danger here he said, comes from the fact that they may attempt to crystallize their influence in their areas.

"3) He cited as real victories the nominations of ROYBAL and GEORGE THOMAS, and stressed the importance of the improved 'quality' of the candidates from minority groups, naming ROYBAL and THOMAS as examples. He also mentioned that there will be three Mexican American representatives in the State Assembly this year.

"4) He called for greater attention to political action by labor.

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"5) He stressed the need for attention by labor to minority candidates.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then spoke and suggested a write in campaign against STANLEY MOSK on the basis of MOSK's cooperation with the anti-communist questionnaire and his recent statements. She also urged an all out fight against the Francis amendments.

"BEN DOBBS spoke briefly on the Defense campaign, urging that the P.W. Drive be completed quickly. He said the District has now achieved about 80% of its quota. He reminded the group that the District Committee had accepted a quota of \$6,000.00 for Defense, as its share of the \$10,000 drive of the Constitutional Liberties Information Center (CLIC). He said that Defense quotas for the clubs should be 20% of the P.W. quota of each club.

"DOROTHY HEALEY announced (in writing, not vocally) that ROBERT THOMPSON will be in Los Angeles about the middle of July and that there will be a conference - by invitation only - with no visitors allowed - on Defense questions. She said one from each club will probably be invited, together with the District Committee, and that the invitation when received should be given priority, but without any publicity.

"The meeting set the second Wednesday in July as its next meeting, but DOROTHY HEALEY said there might have to be another meeting before that on call, to follow the state wide analysis of the elections, which was to be held this weekend, but which has been postponed on request of the Northern California District.

"The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

"Present were:

"DOROTHY HEALEY
BEN DOBBS

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"A.C. ROGERS
OLD WOMAN FROM SAN BERNARDINO - HELEN ?
FRANK BYEA
PIERRE MANDEL
JOHN HELLMAN
CHARLENE MITCHELL
ELSIE MONJAR
RALPH HALL
SARAH DORNER"

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

Million Dollar Action

3 Defendants Seek Dismissal of Big 'Birch' Libel Suit

Three defendants have asked Superior Court Judge Robert P. Kneeland to dismiss a \$1 million dollar libel suit brought by a private detective who conducted an investigation into John Birch Society activities in Orange County.

The plaintiff, N. Earl Freeman, Anaheim, is suing Garden Grove newspaper columnist Dixon Gayer, Fullerton attorney Walter B. Chaffee and Anaheim dentist Don H. Butka.

Freeman charges that the three men signed individual letters sent to the Anaheim Bulletin and to The Register calling the plaintiff's investigation a fraud and a hoax.

Freeman's complaint charges his reputation and livelihood were ruined by the letters. Attorneys for the three defendants, however, contend that Freeman has no license as an investigator and that therefore he has no reputation to be ruined.

License Lifted

Chaffee said Freeman's license as investigator was suspended in 1959. The defendants entering a demurrer to Freeman's allegations, asked Judge Kneeland either to dismiss the entire complaint or strike parts of the suit.

Judge Kneeland took the matter under submission.

Freeman has said that he undertook an investigation of the John Birch Society in Orange County at the behest of Ramon Long, 8871 Tracey Ave., Garden Grove. Long is president of Verec Corp. of Compton.

Early this year following press conferences held on the results of the investigation, the Bulletin and The Register printed stories which quoted Freeman as reporting on a so-called secret county group which he termed a "far worse menace to the security of our nation than the John Birch Society."

Freeman was quoted as referring to an unnamed "secret six," as being the brains of the anti-Birch group. The letters, which are the subjects of the suit, demanded a retraction of the press conference accounts in both newspapers.

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SACRAMENTO REPORT

Birch Influence Overrated

By JACKSON DOYLE

Valley Times TODAY
Sacramento Correspondent

Hugh M. Burns, long-time chairman of the State Senate Committee on un-American activities, seems to think the John Birch Society has become something of a red herring—if the ultra-conservative Birchers will excuse that expression.



Doyle

Burns' committee staff, headed by the veteran subversive-hunter Richard E. Combs, has just wound up a year-long investigation of the Birch group and found it not subversive—and considerably overblown.

A FAT REPORT is now in the chairman's hands, to be finally revised before submission to the Legislature in January.

Although he would not reveal details of the draft—which, incidentally, was drawn without the spotlighted public hearings sought by Birch leader Robert Welch himself—Burns told this writer that critics of the organization "seem to have built it into much more than it is."

"It's mostly a one-man operation," says Burns, referring to Founder Welch, who has sought to link ex-Presidents Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower, as well as Chief Justice Warren, to the "Communist conspiracy."

Ernest Besig of the American Civil Liberties Union, who dislikes what the Birchers stand for and yet opposed the idea of its being investigated by the Burns committee, agrees with the Fresno Democrat that the Society has been "badly overrated."

"IT IS NOT the function of our Government to inquire into the opinions and associations of its citizens, and to give its stamp of approval or disapproval to the ideas which they advocate," says Besig.

"We often build these organizations up, because they feed on publicity and attention. I don't think the American people are going to buy either Communism or the radical right. I suspect the Birchers have already had their day and are on the decline."

DESPITE the unalarm of Burns and Besig, however, don't expect the John Birch Society to fade out of the news. It has become a favorite

whipping boy of liberal Democrats in the current campaign, just as the California Democratic Council has become a whipping boy for Republicans. Already, GOP governorship nominee Richard Nixon has been forced to repudiate the Birchers, and Governor Brown has been forced to repudiate the more leftish ideas of the CDC.

The independent-minded Senator Burns, by the way, has as little use for the CDC element in his party as he has for the Birchers. He doesn't think the CDC is subversive either.

NEWS NOTES



"There'll be plenty of food this winter, Nikita . . . if we include birch bark."

Rec'd by mail from NANCY
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Editor - JACK BERGER
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ARVO E. HAAPA

Bircher Asserts Society Not More Dangerous Than Reds

Dear Mr. Gayer: In your address before the South Coast Young Republicans, you stated that the John Birch Society is more dangerous even than the communists.

As a newspaperman versed in the laws of libel and slander, you know that it is an actionable offense to call someone a communist. To say that someone is even worse than a communist therefore is even more libelous and slanderous.

Since I have publicly stated on many occasions that I am a member of the John Birch Society, I consider your statement slanderous to my character and injurious to my business, particularly since your statements were made at a meeting here.

I must respectfully ask that you submit proof of your charges that the John Birch Society is more dangerous than the communists, or make public apology to myself and all other John Birch members.

Just consider the enormity of your accusation:

Has the John Birch Society caused the enslavement of a billion persons throughout the world, as the communist conspiracy has done?

Has the John Birch Society caused the murder of 30,000,000 people, as the communists did in China when they conquered that tragic nation?

Has the John Birch Society starved to death 10 million farmers, as Khrushchev did in Communist Russia as punishment for resistance to the brutal collectivizing of their farms in the Ukraine?

Has the John Birch Society helped to establish a foothold for the enemy at our

very front door, as indeed our own State Dept. has done with its assistance to Castro?

Has the John Birch Society given aid and comfort to our most deadly enemy, the communist conspiracy, as our own government has done in handing out foreign aid to Communist Yugoslavia, Communist Poland, Communist Russia, and to others who seek to destroy us?

Has the John Birch Society sought to crush freedom in any country, as the United Nations forces did in Katanga, with the assistance of our State Dept.?

Has the John Birch Society conspired for the communist take-over of any country—as has indeed happened in China, where the State Dept. helped pave the way by demanding a coalition with the communists; and as is now happening in Laos, where the State Dept. has succeeded in forcing a similar coalition with communists?

Mr. Gayer, there are many, many more crimes of communism, so monstrous as to be beyond human comprehension. You have a formidable task ahead of you in seeking to justify your accusation that the danger of communism is exceeded by American patriots who seek to maintain our constitutional Republic from the onslaught of the left wing extremists and from the anti-anti-communists.

I await your reply.

Arvo E. Haapa
Owner and Publisher
Newport Harbor Ensign

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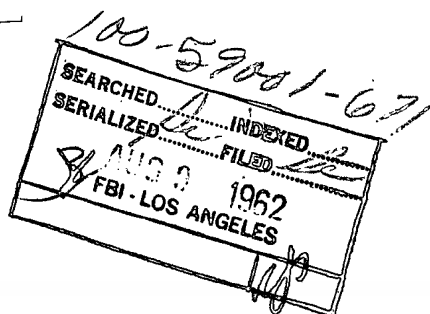
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THE DIXON LINE

By DIXON GAYER

(Editor's Note: The Dixon Line today is a response to a letter from Arvo E.

Haapa previously printed in the newspaper of which he is publisher and also sent to The News. That letter appears on this page.)

Dear Mr. Haapa:

In answering your letter I find so many facets to be considered that it seems best to answer them in numerical fashion, so that each can be treated individually.

1. Until I received your letter I had never, to my knowledge, heard your name—nor, in fact, had I realized the existence of the Newport Harbor Ensign. Unless we met briefly after the speech you refer to—and I do not recall such a meeting—I still have not met you.

Since I believe that people can be judged only on the basis of their own activities, I believe it would be highly presumptuous of me to say that you as an individual are more dangerous than a communist, less dangerous than a communist, or as dangerous as a communist.

I do not know you. I shall not judge you.

Obviously my remarks were not directed at you or at any individual member of the John Birch Society.

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I BELIEVE YOU have reached beyond the realm of reason in suggesting that I have slandered you, individually. If indeed I have, then you, by endorsing the beliefs of Robert Welch, may very well have slandered millions of loyal Americans.

Mr. Welch believes that former President Dwight D. Eisenhower is a "dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspir-

acy." Does this not then make those who voted for him and supported him "pro-Communist"? Or am I reaching, Mr. Haapa?

My reference, which I will deal with later, was to the John Birch Society—not to any individual.

2. You suggest that my remarks were injurious to your business. I doubt that you suffered any wave of subscription or advertising cancellations as a result of my talk there. The audience numbered between 50 and 75 persons, most of them members of the South Coast Young Republicans, admittedly not a wild-eyed liberal organization.

When I asked if John Birch members in the audience would raise their hands, between one-fourth and one-third of the audience responded, the largest number in any audience I have addressed in a year of speeches about the Webster Quimmley Society.

And when we got into the question period after the talk, I found that my cause had very few supporters in the audience.

No, Mr. Haapa. I think you had more of the audience with you than I had with me.

If you had peddled Ensign subscriptions and I had peddled Webster Quimmley memberships after the meeting, I sadly fear that

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you would have been the hands-down winner.

But perhaps I seem to be begging the question, Mr. Haapa. It is time to discuss the statement you attribute to me, which I believe was made during the question period.

I was extremely pleased with the audience's acceptance of my speech when their views were so diametrically opposite to mine. I was pleased to accept the invitation to speak because I believe we can only learn from one another through this kind of give and take.

It was because of this that I asked the president of the club to change his ruling about accepting written questions only and asked that questions from the floor be permitted. You will recall that, though polite, some of the questions were brutally frank. The question period lasted longer than the speech, I believe, and finally had to be halted by the president.

Even then I was cornered in the room and more questions were fired. If you had such a question as you pose now, wouldn't it have been better to face me with it there. I would gladly have answered it then, before the people you feel were witness to my "slander."

For you see, Mr. Haapa, either I was guilty of over-simplification in my statement or you were guilty of mis-interpretation. This could have been clarified instantly.

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MY REFERENCE WAS MEANT to refer to the Communists within the United States—not to international Communism. I have never minimized the threat of international Communism, and I did not intend to do so before the South Coast Young Republicans.

I do not have a tape recording of my talk, so I do not know whether or not I made this point clear. I thought I had, but perhaps I did not.

Of course the John Birch Society has not committed the enormous crimes of international Communism. Such a statement would be as ridiculous as you make it seem.

On the other matter, it is difficult to quote sources which are acceptable to most members of the John Birch Society, but FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover has made many statements which support the view I meant to set forth.

The meaning of my statement was that the John Birch Society, by its methods, currently is more dangerous than the threat of internal Communism because it does the very things the Communists would like to do but have been unable to do.

Said Hoover: "The danger of indiscriminately alleging that someone is a Communist merely because his views on a particular issue happen to parallel the official party position is obvious. The confusion which is thereby created helps the Communists by diffusing the forces of their opponents.

"Unfortunately there are those who make the very mistake the Communists are so careful to avoid. These individuals concentrate on the negative rather than the positive. They are merely against Communism without being for any positive measures to eliminate the social, political, and economic frictions which the Communists are so adroit at exploiting.

"These persons would do well to recall a recent lesson from history. Both Hitler and Mussolini

were against Communism. However it was by what they stood for, not against, that history has judged them."

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BIRCH SOCIETY MENTOR

Robert Welch says that many ministers are Communists or "Comsymps," but he refuses to name them.

Such charges have brought this statement from a high FBI official: "The Communists are in favor of anything that will weaken America's churches and discredit their leaders. Having failed to infiltrate the churches on any substantial scale, they are naturally delighted to see someone else sowing as much discord and dissension in the churches as they would have done, had they succeeded in their efforts."

My view, Mr. Haapa, has been expressed by so many people in so many ways that I am afraid I can not take much credit for its originality. If you can prove that I have slandered you with this statement, you will be a wealthy man, for you will be able to sue everyone from President Kennedy to J. Edgar Hoover.

There is not a shadow of a doubt in my mind that the John Birch Society is more dangerous than the "communists" and "Comsymps" Mr. Welch spies in our government—Eisenhower, Truman, Dulles, Kennedy, Warren, and so on, ad nauseam.

I believe that the John Birch Society, as a society, is a dangerous instrument. I believe it sows seeds of suspicion and hate. I believe that it creates a climate of mistrust and confusion which does indeed "given aid and comfort to our most deadly enemy, the Communist conspiracy." I agree with J. Edgar Hoover that the confusion created by reckless charges helps Communists by diffusing the forces of their opponents."

I did not expect my views to be popular with members of the John Birch Society.

IS THE SUPREME COURT PRO-COMMUNISTIC

The Socialistic Liberal movement in America has become the most serious threat to your Freedom. There is good reason to feel the unpleasant anticipation of Socialism. The Radical Liberal madmen are intent on replacing our Constitutional government with foreign socialism. To overcome the public right of free speech and assembly the Leftist uses insidious smears to halt the public debate of factual Socialistic-Communist issues. Risking the infuriation of the lunatic fringe the following is submitted:

HERE IS THE RECORD

Entered in the Congressional Record May 2, 1962

BY UNITED STATES SENATOR JAMES O. EASTLAND (DEM)

CHAIRMAN, SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

"The Court must be restricted. Unless it is, it will not only snap and bite, but will tear to pieces and devour constitutional government." (Page 7031)

SUPREME COURT CASES INVOLVING SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

LEGEND: PRO — Vote in accordance with position advocated by Communist

CON — Vote against position advocated by Communist

(Chart Congressional Record, May 2, 1962 Page 7028-7029)

Justices	Number of Cases Participated	PRO	CON
W. J. Brennan	51	49	2
Tom C. Clark	82	21	61

Justice Clark is noted for his long record of opposing the Communist. Justice Brennan's record appears to indicate to a certain predilection in favoring the Communist. Fellow Americans ask yourself, Why? Why have Governor Brown and Attorney General Mosk been conducting what appears to be a smear campaign preventing open debate of Justice Earl Warren's record? Let's look intelligently at the issue.

Earl Warren	65	62	3
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In fairness, can't we agree with those who advocate the impeachment of Warren? Remember the atheistic Anti-Prayer decision written by Justice Black.

H. L. Black	102	102	0
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Congressional Record May 4, 1962—Senator Stennis (Demo):

"The Supreme Court of the United States is one of the three separate branches of government, and it is not immune from criticism by any Senator or any other citizen of our country. A discussion of the Supreme Court, its membership, its decisions, and its policies is healthy indeed, and can only serve to improve our government.

"In our history the Supreme Court has often been wrong. It has been under attack many times. Each branch of our Government, including the Supreme Court, must be subject to the open discussion, criticism, and even praise when it is due."

For information write Patrick Henry Group, Box 217, Richmond Va.

ACTION NEEDED NOW — Alert Americans are picketing the Balboa Bay Club, Newport Beach, Tuesday, August 14, at 7:30 A.M. They are protesting the visit of Justice Brennan and Earl Warren's poor record. The Newport Harbor Chamber of Commerce is entertaining Justice Brennan and it appears the Social Activity Committee has overlooked the "ism". Send letters of protest to papers, Bay Club, to your Chamber of Commerce — insist on free open debate of the Socialistic issues and records of Warren and Brennan.

Paid advertisement, contributions accepted, The Register Box E, 152
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Birchers Deny Pickets

Seventy-two chapters of the John Birch Society in the Orange County area have adopted a resolution refuting reports that the society has instigated picketing of Supreme Court justices visiting Newport Beach.

Dr. Terrell Root, Newport Beach chapter leader, said Saturday that the resolution had been adopted following a story appearing in a Costa Mesa paper which gave an "erroneous impression" that the picketing was an organized effort by the John Birch Society.

Justices William Joseph Brennan Jr. and Tom Clark are currently meeting with state and federal jurists at a conference at the Balboa Bay Club.

Independent Group

Dr. Root, of 2523 Monaco St., Laguna Beach, said the resolution pointed out that the picketing plans are those of an "independent group of concerned citizens calling themselves Americans for God and Country."

He said the group is apparently objecting to the Supreme Court decision against prayer in public schools.

"It has always been the policy of John Birch Chapters," the resolution reads, "to refrain from public demonstrations of this nature."

This policy, according to Dr. Root, was unanimously reaffirm-

ed by leaders representing 72 chapters of the John Birch Society in the Orange County area.

Arvo Haapa, publisher of the Corona del Mar Ensign, said the "erroneous impression" created by the Costa Mesa paper's story was because of faulty reasoning in regard to a story he had published in his paper.

Haapa, a member of the John Birch society, said he had reported in the Corona del Mar Ensign that there would be probable picketing of the Supreme Court justices.

"The Costa Mesa paper then reasoned," he explained:

"—Haapa is a member of the John Birch Society.

"—Haapa writes story about a demonstration.

"Therefore, the demonstration will be by the John Birch Society."

The publisher added:

Faulty Reasoning

"This is obviously faulty reasoning and has led to the Costa Mesa paper giving the wrong impression."

Dr. Root said that there could be John Birch members taking part in the demonstration, but that, if so, they were acting on their individual initiative and not as an organized John Birch contingent.

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C stated that his purpose in coming to the FBI this date was to offer his services as an informant.

C stated that he is a salesman and that he is going to become a member of the John Birch Society. *100-59001**

C was advised that his offer would be considered, thanked for making available his services and advised that should the situation arise where his services could be utilized, he would be contacted by an agent.

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Knott, Menjou Reply to Charge**Two Mosk Targets
Deny Birch Links**

Walter Knott, owner of Knott's Berry Farm and actor Adolphe Menjou today denied they were members of the John Birch Society as asserted by state Atty. Gen. Stanley Mosk.

Paul H. Talbert, Beverly Hills insurance executive, also named yesterday by Mosk as a Birch member, said in a statement that Mosk's "blast at the John Birch Society was the worst made on it, including those by Iszestia, the Peoples' World and the Daily Worker."

Builder Fritz Burns, also named by Mosk as a member of the society could not be reached for comment.

AID TO COAKLEY

Mosk said that the four men had made campaign contributions to his Republican opponent Superior Judge Tom Coakley, of Mariposa.

Knott said:

"I definitely am not and never have been a member of the Birch Society. I have a great many friends who are members of the John Birch Society whom I hold in high esteem, and I do not have any battle with the Birch Society, but I just do not happen to be a member."

"As to a contribution to the Coakley campaign, yes, I did, and why not? I have contributed to lots of campaigns in a small way. That is ordinary American politics. Mosk is a Democrat. Mr. Coakley is a Republican. I happen to be a Republican."

MENJOU STATEMENT

Menjou said:

"You can tell Mr. Mosk he is completely wrong. I do not now belong to the John Birch Society and have not belonged to it for more than two years."

"I was at one time a member. Among other members we became disillusioned with the leadership. I still believe in the principles of the John Birch Society, which are solid basic Americanism, but I don't believe in the statements and actions of its leaders."

Menjou said that he was not "too sure" that he recalled contributing to Judge Coakley's campaign, but he added, "I probably did. I'm often called upon to contribute to political campaigns and I don't see anything wrong in that, if I did."

Talbert said that he just returned from a national council meeting of the John Birch Society in Boston. He declared:

"I am not surprised at anything part-time attorney general — and most of the time politician — Mosk has to say."

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Birch Society Reports Gains in L.A. Area

John Birch Society membership has more than doubled nationally and tripled in the Los Angeles area in the past year, a staff employee here reported Thursday.

"We have enjoyed particularly heavy membership increases," said Jeannette M'Clooskey, "with each national setback such as the Cuban situation, Katanga, Laos, the steel mandate, the stock market confusion and when the society has been publicly attacked."

Her statement added that John Birch Society chapters throughout the country will commemorate privately Saturday the death of the young missionary for whom the society was named.

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C stated that she was listening to the Tom Dugan Show over KTTV-11 last night.

C stated that [redacted] interview an unknown person to C from the John Burch Society this unknown person stating that he "had documented proof from the files of the FBI (referring to a hand full of papers in his hand) that State Attorney General, Stanley Mosk, and California Governor, Pat Brown were card carrying Communists".

C stated that she was calling the FBI to confirm this statement.

C was advised that the FBI's files are confidential and for official use only and that this unknown person would not be in an official position to comment regarding the above and that the FBI made no such statement.

The writer contacted Television Station KTTV-11, HO-27111 inquiring as to unknown persons name, and was advised by telephone operator that such information could only be obtained thru [redacted] secretary, [redacted] who will not be in the office until 2:00PM 8-28-62.

The writer did not identify himself as being from the FBI.

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POTENTIAL PANEL SOURCE

[REDACTED] is a frequent customer in the Progressive Book Store, 1806 West Seventh Street, Los Angeles, and visits there on the average of three times a month, usually on Fridays. She has developed a friendship with [REDACTED] manager of the PBS, and he has displayed an interest in [REDACTED] frequent visits, apparently with a personal as well as vocational interest. [REDACTED] when asked, has given the name of [REDACTED] to [REDACTED], and he has set aside a slot in a cabinet in the back of the PBS, under the name of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] has told [REDACTED] that she is from Santa Barbara. She advised the writer that she did at one time have a [REDACTED] Hollywood 46, under the name of [REDACTED] and received communist literature at this address.

[REDACTED] has advised that she is well known for her anti-communist stand, and has been associating with persons who are considered on the "far right". She added that she has been seen in the PBS by persons in the "far right" circle, and they understand her purpose for visiting the PBS. She advised the writer on 6/19/62, and 6/22/62, that she is concerned about some individuals in the "far right", and mentioned a [REDACTED] who is a veterinarian, at [REDACTED] Reseda, California, who was reported to have gone to the mountains in Southern California, and also a [REDACTED] a friend of [REDACTED] who also has acted like a "minute man". [REDACTED] is a leader in the John Birch Society.

She reported on a [REDACTED] whom she was told was collecting guns and food in case of invasion and that [REDACTED] may be an engineer with Beardon Associates. One [REDACTED] Northridge, according to [REDACTED] also is a member of the "far right".

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[redacted] stated that one RUHLS SAMPLES, 642 North Plymouth Boulevard, Los Angeles, is reported to have tried to blackmail a disciple, [redacted] who is anti-communist and has commercialized on it. [redacted] is living in common law with one [redacted]

On 8/15/62, [redacted] advised that the "right wingers" were going to participate in an indignation rally on 8/18/62, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, where President KENNEDY would be staying for the day. [redacted] a leader in the John Birch Society, Los Angeles Chapter, was one of the organizers. It is noted that the Bureau was advised of the above information, however, there was no information reported that this rally took place.

[redacted] advised she also notified the "proper authorities" in the Los Angeles Police Department, about the above rally, and it was noted that [redacted] had the identical information which [redacted] furnished this office.

The above has been submitted for information purposes.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55455)

DATE: 8/16/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MORANDA SMITH SECTION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Aaron Johnson Club, Moranda Smith Section, SCDCP meeting, 7/25/62.	8/7/62	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"7/28/62

"The Aaron Johnson Club of the Moranda Smith Section,
C.P. met on Wednesday, July 25, 1962 at 8:00 P.M. at the
residence of [REDACTED]

There 11 persons present; namely:

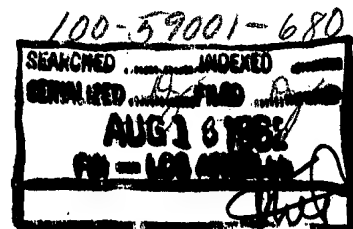
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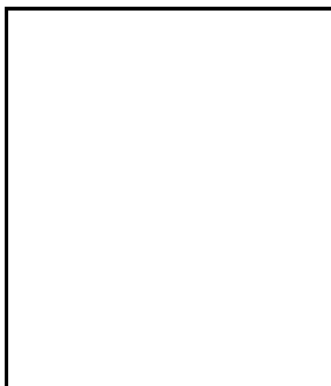
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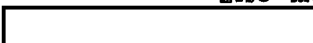
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"The meeting was conducted by the club's chairman



"The first point on the agenda was an educational discussion on the pamphlet written by MIKE NEWBERRY, on 'The Fascist Revival' - the inside story of the John Birch Society - who is in it?

[redacted] keynoted the Educational discussion by reading various topics in this pamphlet on how the 'John Birch Society' operates; he began with the first topic - 'Ripples in the cellar', which points out a meeting place of several men who gathered in the recreation room in the cellar of a suburban home on Long Island; the host is an advertising man, who displays a book, The John Franklin Letters, open to the chapter, 'Thank God for the National Rifle Association.' Their activity was target practice, with rifles, shooting at a photo of Chief Justice EARL WARREN of the U.S. Supreme Court; cheers ring out when a shot pierces the eye of the photo. These gentlemen of suburbia are obeying the latest advice of the John Birch Society. This is what Senator BARRY GOLDWATER coyly calls 'the Conservative Revival.' The MIKE NEWBERRY pamphlet describes their reading material a book, titled 'The John Franklin Letters.' The book is a manual of arms: Tells how a 'patriotic' underground army' will be formed to overthrow the U.S. Government; this book is a best seller in the John Birch Society circles. [redacted], head of the Bookmailer,

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"boasts of a world-wide sales apparatus that extends to 109 countries as well as all 50 states & includes U.S. Embassies & military bases.

"Note: The MIKE NEWBERRY, booklet goes on to describe - What are the John Franklin Letters all about? etc. etc.

"In the Keynotes of [redacted] Educational for discussion on 'The Fascist Revival'; he pointed out the leading topics in this booklet, which each C.P. member should read & study carefully, which are the following:

- "#2. 'Inside the Birch Society'.
- "#3. 'Father and son'.
- "#4. 'CIA Fronts'?
- "#5. 'Deutschland Uber Alles - Second Chorus'.
- "#6. 'Southern Accent of Fascism'.
- "#7. 'Labor? Abolish It!'
- "#8. 'Repeal the Income Tax'.
- "#9. 'Young Americans for Fascism'.
- "#10. 'Wanted: A Man on Horseback'.
- "#11. 'War or Peace'.

[redacted] pointed out the names of those who support 'Fascism' in the U.S.A. These persons names are found on pages #27 & #28 of the pamphlet by MIKE NEWBERRY, on 'The Fascist Revival - the inside story of the John Birch Society.' This booklet can be bought at all C.P. Book shops & book stands.

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"A short discussion followed the lengthy Educational Keynote of [redacted]

"The discussion was mainly based on things to do to combat the John Birch Society & it's supporters of 'Fascism'.

[redacted] stated that there are two other big supporters of the 'John Birch Society' who are not mentioned in MIKE NEWBERRY's book; they are the 'Carnation Milk Co.' & the president of 'Sears Roebuck & Co.'

[redacted] stated that the C.P. should conduct a boycotting campaign against these two companies.'

"The 2nd point on the agenda was a report on the P.W. drive & the annual People's World picnic by [redacted] the P.W. director of the Aaron Johnson Club, C.P., she stated that, the club has \$35.00 more to report on the P.W. drive which includes a \$5.00 P.W. sub turned in by [redacted] This makes a total of \$461.00 raised by the Aaron Johnson Club on the P.W. drive.

[redacted] also reported that this year's P.W. picnic was the best that had been for a long period, in terms of finance and attendance.

"A 'pamphlet' is now out on the 'Free Press'.

"C.P. dues & sustainers were collected by [redacted] the club's organization secretary.

"C.P. literature was sold by [redacted] the club's Literature director.

[redacted] the club's chairman, introduced [redacted] to those who did not know her in the club; stating that [redacted] had now been placed in the Aaron Johnson Club, C.P. as a transfer in from the former C.P. Youth Club.

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[redacted] made a proposal that the club discuss the '1962 Final Legislative Elections' at the next meeting of the Aaron Johnson Club; his proposal was adopted."

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (105-2604) DATE: 8/23/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NATION OF ISLAM (NOI)
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Informant's report is set out as follows:

"June 29, 1962

"JOHN MORRIS the minister of Muhammad's Temple of Islam #27, 5606 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California, appeared on a television program on channel 9 in Los Angeles on 6/24/62. The program was presented from 4:00 PM until 4:30 PM.

cc: [REDACTED]

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105-4475 (JOHN MORRIS)

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"The program was a round table discussion of the Muslim movement. Two members were from the John Birch Society, and another member of the panel was a 'beatnik.' The name of the moderator is not recalled. The program was sponsored by the University of Judaism.

"During the discussion of the Muslim movement, MORRIS was asked how they would work out complete separation. He said it would be by perfect co-existence between ourselves; like the Jews patronize each other. The 'beatnik' more or less went along with MORRIS. One of the members of the John Birch Society almost expressed agreement with MORRIS. MORRIS was asked what the solution is to the police brutality and he said that if you want us to stop talking about lynching then stop lynching us."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning this report and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55455) DATE: 8/17/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MORANDA SMITH SECTION
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Aaron Johnson Club, Moranda Smith Section, SCDCP, mtg. 7/11/62	7/17/62	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant's written report is quoted as follows:

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"7-13-62

"The Aaron Johnson Club of the Moranda Smith Section, C.P. met on Wednesday, July 11, 1962 at 8:15 P.M. at the residence of [redacted] There were 7 persons present; namely:

[redacted] (White Woman)
[redacted] (White Woman)
[redacted] (White Woman)
[redacted] (Negro Woman)
[redacted] (Negro Man)
[redacted] (White Man)
[redacted] (White Man)

"The meeting was conducted by the club's chairman [redacted]

"The first point on the agenda was a report and discussion on the P.W. Fund drive, the P.W. Annual picnic and the Free Press Forum of the Moranda Smith Section, C.P. This report was done by [redacted] P.W. director of the Aaron Johnson Club, C.P. She reported that:

"The Aaron Johnson Club, C.P. has raised the sum of \$426.00 on the P.W. Fund drive; the club's quota was \$250.00 plus \$15.00 which was added to each club's quota in the Section, to help take care of some of the expenses of the Free Press Forums which are held monthly in the Moranda Smith Section, C.P.

[redacted] stated that she will personally see to it that the Aaron Johnson Club raises as much as \$500.00 on the P. W. Fund drive; she said that the following persons in the club still owe on their pledges on the P.W. drive:

[redacted]	owes the sum of	\$11.00
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And an outside friend promised to give		25.00
which makes a total of -----		\$46.00

[redacted] said if the club has not raised the amount of \$500.00 by the time the P.W. picnic is over on Sunday, July 22, 1962, she will have a benefit Dinner party at her home, to make up the \$500.00 or more for the Aaron Johnson Club, on the P.W. Fund drive.

[] stated that his wife and kids were away on vacation and when they return; he and his wife [] will also give something on the P.W. Fund drive; he won't know how much it will be until his wife returns.

"On the question of the Free Press Forums held monthly in the Section, [] said that the Forums were getting very short on finance; there were 26 persons at the last Free Press Forum and the collection was \$12.00 or \$13.00. The cost for the operation of each Forum is about \$25.00; this includes the rental of the place and the mailing of the notices or announcements for each Forum. The Forums are very good otherwise, in terms of reaching new people and the speakers all have been very good on each topic that has been presented.

[] stated that the month of August, is the anniversary of the Bombing of Hiroshima, Japan; in connection with this event, a speaker on "Peace" should be presented at the next Free Press Forum, in the month of August; maybe some or one of the delegates to the "Peace Conference" in Africa or the USSR.

"Everyone are urged to read the pamphlet by Mike Newberry, on 'The Fascist Revival'- the inside story of the John Birch Society.

"The Moranda Smith Section, C.P. and Clubs have pledged to work to defeat prop. #24 on the Ballot for the 1962 Elections, which is Anti-C.P., also the 23rd amendment.

"The Section will also work for the Election of Rev. Farrell and Roybal, for Negro and Mexican Representation.

"We will also work to defeat the come Tax cutting deal, which will tend to be against the interest of the working class and will only serve to further the profits of Big Business.

[] will lead an Educational discussion on the Income Tax Amendment and the 24th Amendment, at the next meeting of the Aaron Johnson Club C.P.

"Literature was sold by [] the Club's Literature director.

[] collected C.P. membership dues and sustainers."

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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LOS ANGELES 14, CALIFORNIA
MAdison 3-1351

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September 18, 1962

Mr. H. S. Riecke, Jr.
~~Paul Revere Associated Yeomen, Inc.~~
~~P. O. Box 19001~~
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Riecke:

Mr. Crail passed your letter on to me. I am sending a copy of it to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for their information.

We do not agree with your methods and plans of setting Christians against Jews, and vice versa. This is contrary to the American Way of Life and the ideals of Americanism that we are trying to uphold.

Please be advised that no money for your dubious efforts will come from either Coast Federal or Joe Crail. We have nothing to offer in the type of 'leadership' you apparently are requesting.

Cordially,

**Economics and Education
Free Enterprise Department**

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We especially solicit the help of the patriotic large corporations and individuals who want to destroy the HEART rather than a tentacle—of the Communist octopus. Watch for our full - page 3 - color ad in a few weeks—with many more planned, with YOUR help. We'll show you the RIGHT way to fight Communism!

THE PAUL REVERES: a non-sectarian, non-political, non-profit PRIVATE Organization of patriotic American citizens, whose membership shall be formed by SCREENED INVITATION ONLY, without discrimination against race, religious creed or color; sworn and dedicated to wake up all Americans. Pledged to ride herd on ANY and ALL Communists, Reds, Pinks, Fellow-Travelers and Subversives—

To neither ask nor give quarter . . .

To fight—tooth-and-nail, time-and-money, day-and-night—to drive the Communist conspirators from the Americas to Russia or to prison . . .

To alert the American people to the true purpose and aims of the UN and World Court, and with DOCUMENTED FACTS!

To work, sweat, bleed and die for America First, Last and Always!

To bring to Justice all treasonous subversives in all branches of our Government—regardless of POSITION OR PRESTIGE.

To display the American Flag honorably, lovingly and prominently, in our homes and businesses—interior and exterior.

To promote Constitutional Government, and vigorously oppose Socialistic legislation (Fed. aid to schools; Socialized Medicine, etc., which promote centralized government and abrogation of individual States' Rights so the Communists can rule from Washington and the U.N.I.)

To patronize and recommend the products of all firms who subscribe to the cause of Americanism and patriotism; but to VIGOROUSLY BOYCOTT—by newspaper advertising and chain-letters—ALL products and services—(and movies)—of any and every individual, firm, company and enterprise that aids and abets the Communists, the Reds, Pinks and Fellow-Travelers, whom we so deem to be subversive—SO HELP US GOD!

*****TO OPPOSE—TOOTH-AND-NAIL, TIME-AND-MONEY, DAY-AND-NIGHT—FOREIGN AID IN ANY SHAPE OR FORM, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY—TO IRON CURTAIN COUNTRIES (SINCE RUSSIA USES OUR MONEY TO KEEP THESE COUNTRIES ENSLAVED, THEREBY MAKING US TRAITORS TO OUR OWN CAUSE!)**

One of our MAIN purposes: To INSIST that every official—Federal, State and Municipal—shall NOT hold public office without first signing and maintaining—by annual renewal—a sworn and notarized oath of allegiance. And . . . "(we) pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the REPUBLIC for which it stands, one nation under God, INDIVISIBLE, with liberty and justice for all."—So help us GOD!

PAUL REVERE said: "The RED-COATS are coming!"

THE PAUL REVERES say: "The REDS are here!—Everywhere!"

THE PAUL REVERES HONOR THE AMERICAN PATRIOTS WHO SO COURAGEOUSLY SAID: "NUTS!"; "I SHALL RETURN!"; "WE HAVE NOT YET BEGUN TO FIGHT!"; and . . . "FIRE, WHEN YOU SEE THE (REDS) IN THEIR EYES!"

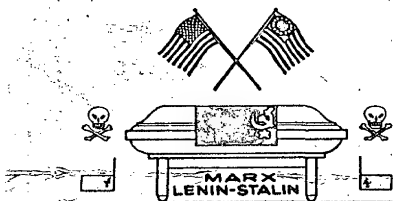
WHEN A HUMAN HOG-SACRIFICES PATRIOTISM FOR BUSINESS, IT BECOMES OUR BUSINESS! "BETTER DEAD, THAN YELLOW OR RED!" (Help make this a NATIONAL Slogan!)

JOIN THE FIGHT NOW! SEND IN YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS! HELP CARRY ON THE GOOD FIGHT FOR GOD AND COUNTRY!

PAUL REVERE ASSOC. YEOMAN (P.R.A.Y.)

KHRUSHCHEV: "We will bury you!" . . . Your CHILDREN will grow up to be Communists! . . . "Socialism leads DIRECTLY to Communism, just as 'A' leads to 'B' in the alphabet!" THEREFORE, OPPOSE ALL SOCIALISTIC LEGISLATION!

J. EDGAR HOOVER: "We are at war with the Communists, and the sooner each Red-Blooded American realizes that the better and safer we will be."



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Please enroll me as a member of P-R-A-Y, and place my name on your mailing list to receive bulletins and pamphlets to put me "in the know," along with other PATRIOTS, to "wake up Americans!"

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Any contributions are welcomed. Every dollar received will pay the cost of alerting FOUR Americans with pamphlets and literature, stamps and labor. These FOUR might wake up HUNDREDS of other Americans! (There are some 150 MILLION still asleep, who NEED a rude awakening, before they die asleep).

**BETTER
DEAD!
THAN
YELLOW
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P-R-A-Y, Inc.
H. S. Riecko,
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"We cannot expect the Americans to jump from Capitalism to Communism, but we can assist their elected leaders in giving Americans small doses of Socialism, until they suddenly AWAKE to find they have Communism."

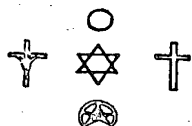
—Nikita Khrushchey, 1960



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H. S. RIECKE, JR.
FOUNDER

America Fore Loyalty Group (of Insurance Companies)
80 Maiden Lane
New York 38, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I congratulate you on your full page PATRIOTIC ad on page 5 of the LIFE Magazine issue of April 27th.

I am saving that page, and whenever any members of our large family buy insurance, YOUR Companies will get the policies.

We need many more Corporation executives with GUTS like you, to PUBLICLY fight the internal traitors and conspirators who are selling out our Country. We need more Eddie Rickenbackers, of Eastern Airlines (who now gets ALL of our air-travel against competitive routes); and men like Joe Crail of Coast Federal Savings & Loan Assn. of Los Angeles, a \$350 million organization - the largest of its kind - who has the GUTS to fight the multi-billionaires of the internationalist-banker conspiracy.

And we need FEWER Companies like Ford Co., who has been sponsoring well-known Hollywood "Reds"! And we need fewer Companies like the makers of LISTERINE, who sponsor the liar - Drew Pearson; and TEXACO, who sponsors Chet Huntley.

The percentage of Ford-built cars has been dropping, while Gen. Motors is over 50% of total car sales in the U. S. This condition should CONTINUE to accelerate, as more and more people learn the facts about the Red Conspirators in our Government, which they ARE learning - and fast! And the people are blaming Ford for the activities of the "Fund for the Republic", of the Ford Foundation.

When these large Corporations realize that 90% of the American people are loyal American "Constitutional patriots", it might be too late for them to retrieve their lost markets.

Our family has discontinued using TEXACO products, because they sponsor Chet Huntley. We quit using LISTERINE, since they sponsor Drew Pearson. I have been using Ford cars for 40 years, and we have 3 of them in our immediate family now, but will NEVER buy another Ford . . . and neither will my children or grandchildren.

And . . . the patriots and "super" patriots are on the march, and passing the word along - to patronize pro-American Companies, and boycott "pro-Red" products.

cc-

America Fore Loyalty Group;
N. O. Times Picayune & States-Item;
Life Magazine, John Birch Society,
Henry Ford, Ford Co;
Texaco Co.; Christian Crusade;
Lambert Pharmaceuticals;
Coast Federal (Joe Crail, Pres.);
Eastern Airlines.
And my present Insurance Companies:
American Mutual Ins. Co.;
Sun Life of Canada;
Metropolitan;
Equitable Life Ins. Co.
National Economic Council;
And 100's of copies to:
Nat'l Hdqrs. American Legion,
VFW, DAV, DAR, BPOE, AMA,
ABA, NAM, NAFM, CFMA, etc.

Sincerely and patriotically,

PAUL REVERE ASSOCIATED YEOMEN, INC.

H. S. RIECKE JR. (Founder)



Paul Revere Assoc. Yeomen, Inc. (PRAY, INC.)

HELP US BURY COMMUNISM

(See reverse side for sworn arms, purposes and pledges)

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The

PAUL REVERE ASSOCIATED YEOMEN, (P.R.A.Y.) INC.

P. O. Box 19001 New Orleans, La.
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

To

WAKE UP AMERICANS!

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May 8, 1962



LIBERTY
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Get the
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US

Get Our Gov't
Out of the
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THE
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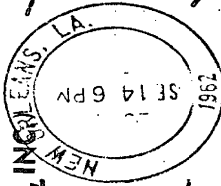
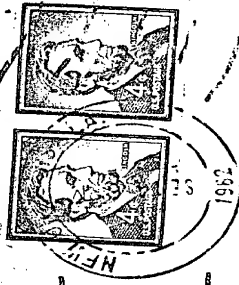
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(Help Make This a National Slogan)

It's Much Later Than You Think

Get the (US) Out of the UN
Get Our Gov't Out of the UN
Out of the RED! Out of the UN
UN - A Death Trap for the - US

(Ask Us For Documented PROOF)



40 Cant Federal Savings
\$55 South Hill at Ninth
Los Angeles 14,
Calif.



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The most effective way to defeat subversive elements in the Internationalist-Communist-Banking cabal is to use their own technique - their most potent weapon: The technique of "DIVIDE AND CONQUER".

It will be necessary to employ the following procedures:

1. Disrupt the unity of the CFR and the BAC by setting the Jewish members against the Christian members, and the Christians against the Jews.

(a) Send "anonymous" notes to Weinberg, Strauss, Lehman, Sachs, Schiff, Battenweiser, Dillon, Baruch, the Warburgs, etc. - that "Esau XX's Jacob in BAC". The Jews, being suspicious by nature, and always expecting and suspecting a double-cross, might become MORE distrustful of their Gentile co-conspirators.

(b) Send anonymous notes to the Fords, Rockefellers, Claytons, and a few other top Christian members of CFR and BAC, hinting that the Jewish members are getting ready for a "coup de grace" against the Gentile group in the CFR - BAC (especially in the oil-rich areas in Palestine, Iraq, Iran, Saudi Arabia, etc.). These Gentiles ALREADY KNOW that their own interests are always being coveted and subjugated by the greedy Jewish clan in the CFR - BAC, so they will naturally believe this "tip". Then, these Gentile co-conspirators might band together more closely, and offer more opposition within the conspiracy.

We must CREATE suspicion, dissension and distrust among these two elements by all means possible, at all times.

2. Conduct an organized campaign, directed at the "Congress for Judaism" - reminding the "American" Jews (the 2nd, 3rd and 4th generations in the U. S.) that the novo-rich, neo-American Jews from Russia and Eastern Europe are JEOPARDIZING the interests of the American Jews here in the U. S. Constantly remind the American Jews that the U. S. is the "land of plenty" promised them by Moses and Aaron; that the Zionist-Marxist-Khazars have ALWAYS

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caused the respectable Jews to be run out of every country - century after century, and FOUR times out of England!

Remind the American Jews that they have ALREADY taken over the U. S., so why risk an imminent uprising, which will surely AGAIN confiscate their hard-earned wealth - as happened SO MANY times in the past . . . and ALWAYS caused by the atheistic lowly Khazar "sheeney-kike-shyster" Jew.

DIVIDE & CONQUER!

3. Spread distrust of the Khazars among the Puerto Ricans and Negroes of N. Y. It can easily be proven that they are being exploited and robbed (high rents; \$60.00 for \$20.00 suits, etc.); and then do likewise in the large slum areas of the big urban centers. Wean the exploited left-wing radicals AWAY from the Conspiracy.

4. Work on the sub-leaders in the NAACP, since the "leaders" are beyond recall. Work on the pastors and ministers in the largest Negro congregations. Give them FACTS about the communist-infested NAACP and CORE.

5. Make a list of the sub-leaders in the various AFL-CIO Trade Union LOCALS. The "National" leaders will never be won back from communism, so concentrate on the heads of the LOCALS, and give them the FACTS, so they, in turn, can become convinced that their "National" leaders are selling them down the river. The best evidence of this is the COMMON MARKET and Lower Tariffs, which will put MILLIONS on the breadlines. Spread among them the FACTS: ~~that the COMMON MARKET means \$5.00 a-day for foreigners will be doing~~ the jobs for which they now get \$20.00 and \$25.00-a-day!:

The enclosed "Euramerica" folder and others like it, will serve this purpose very well.

6. Since the members of the CFR and the BAC represent the owners of perhaps HALF of the property in the U. S., we must DIVIDE & CONQUER by pitting these members one against the other - group

against group. By dividing them into TWO OPPOSING halves, they will "neutralize" themselves. Then, the rest of us - the other HALF of the property owners in America - will have a chance - by ORGANIZING, banding together into a concerted-action group, with MONEY & LEADERSHIP.

The MONEY MUST COME FROM:

(a) Insurance Companies, (except possibly New York Life and Union Central);

(b) wealthy Americans and Corporations NOT YET controlled by the CFR and BAC - such as H. L. Hunt, of Dallas; Eastern Airlines; Coast Federal Savings & Loan; Catholic and Protestant Churches; the Vatican; wealthy Latin-Americans; non-communist members of the NAM, etc. There are still THOUSANDS of patriotic corporations not yet under the CFR or BAC control.

The LEADERSHIP is already "available and ready" - champing at the bit? Leaders such as:

- (a) Conde McGinley;
- (b) Robert Welch;
- (c) Dr. Billy James Hargis;
- (d) Miron C. Fagan;
- (e) [redacted];
- (f) Dan Smoot, Eddie Rickenbacher; [redacted]; H. L. Hunt, A. G. Heinsohn, Jr., [redacted] etc.
- (g) [redacted] Fulton Lewis, [redacted] Paul Harvey; Generals MacArthur, Willoughby, White, Walker, Wedemeyer, Stratemeyer, delValle, Archibald Roosevelt, and many other retired Generals, Admirals, Majors; numerous business Executives and owners; Catholic and Protestant Church leaders, such as Cardinals McIntyre and Spellman, and many, many others we can trust; Leading patriotic lawyers and doctors; a few screened union leaders . . .

What the Conservative-Patriots need is ORGANIZATION and MONEY.

The leadership is already available.

The ORGANIZATION must come first? The MONEY will come in by the many, many MILLIONS, once the potential donors KNOW that it will be used effectively, to PROMOTE their own welfare; to SAVE their own property; to save their wives, children and grandchildren.

At present, the heavy donors feel that large contributions are wasted - like water in a rathole. But ONE, HUGE, NATIONAL,

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CONCERTED Organization will be EFFECTIVE: will command respect and demand recognition. And the rank-and-file patriots and conservatives can then be enlisted by the MILLIONS. Then, and then only, will Congress take heart, and become men - instead of scared jellyfish?

And, with political leaders like Thurmond, Tower, Utt, Rousselot, Dorn - and others we can TRUST, our one huge National Organization will become a power equal or greater than the CFR - BAC.

We can hardly blame the Congress. The Congressmen and Senators - MOST OF THEM - not only drift with the tide, they go where they are PUSHED! And for many years, they have been PUSHED by the CFR, BAC, ADA, NAACP, etc., without any effective ORGANIZED resistance.

It is up to the TOP national leaders to call an initial meeting - by invitation only, thoroughly screened - to get going. In TWO YEARS we would outstrip the CFR, BAC, ADA and the whole damned bunch of subversive no-win policy clique!

How about it? RIGHT NOW!

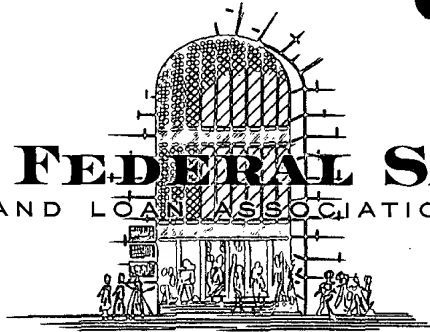
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
1340 West 6th Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is some information that may be of interest to you.

[Coast Federal] and [redacted] are anti-Communist, but not anti-Semitic, and we want to go on record as having no connection with groups of this type.

Cordially,



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Free Enterprise Department
Coast Federal Savings and Loan Association
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Los Angeles 14, California

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your letter of September 19,
1962, and its enclosures.

I sincerely appreciate your interest in
making this information available, which will be
made a matter of record.

Very truly yours,

QQH

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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County Fair Closes Down Birch Display

A display featuring material put out by the John Birch Society and by conservative spokesmen Tuesday was removed from the Los Angeles County Fair grounds in Pomona.

Fair officials said the actions of Con Del Book Store, or Garden Grove, which has rented space in Building 8-A, amounted to political action in violation of the fair's policies.

The Building Contractors Assn. of Southern California, contractor for the building, sub-let space to Carl V. Morton for the book store display and made the decision to evict.

Politics Disclaimed

Morton, 32, an Orange State College student, said his display of publications "is no more political than some of the other exhibits I have seen here." He mentioned booths operated by COPE (Committee on Political Education for the AFL-CIO) and the American Association for the United Nations.

Phil D. Shepherd, secretary-manager of the fair association, said, "It has always been the policy of the association that exhibit facilities during the actual fair period should not be used for political acts of any nature. It would be physically impossible to provide space to all political groups and candidates, and therefore the board feels it best not to permit any such activity."

The fair ends Sunday.

Highlights today include the traditional hog-calling contest at 3 p.m. and a performance in the evening by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police musical group.

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Birchers Capturing GOP, Speaker Says

GRANADA HILLS -- The John Birch Society, nestled in "the sheltering right wing of the Republic Party" is exerting greater and greater influence in the party.

The charge was made by Mrs. Margaret Price, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee at a dinner Monday night sponsored by the Democratic Committees of the 22nd and 27th Congressional Districts.

"This is the society," said Mrs. Price, "which contends, on the one hand, that it has a monopoly on patriotism. Yet it is guided, on the other hand, by a man who has called democracy, and I quote, 'a weapon of demagoguery and a perennial fraud.'

"The Republican Party is out to beat the Democrats in any way it can and the John Birch Society is a welcome ally in its cynical campaign.

Wild Charges

"By re-opening the old Pandora's box of wild charges and sly innuendo, the Republicans are playing into the hands of

the Communists who want to see this country torn by dissension and rancor."

Mrs. Price, on a tour covering 22 states during which she talks to both men and women audiences, appeared here on behalf of Congressman James C. Corman, seeking re-election, and congressional candidate Councilman Everett Burkhalter. She also urged support for the entire state Democratic ticket.

At a press conference held prior to the dinner Mrs. Price said she has been busy mobilizing women behind congressional candidates across the nation. She said there are four million more women of voting age than men in the nation and in California women of voting age outnumber men by 173,000.

Mrs. Price emphasized that President Kennedy is very anxious to see Congressman Corman returned to Washington since his defeat would see an extreme, reactionary, right-wing former member of the Constitution Party seated in congress.

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Burkhalter, she said, Mr. Kennedy hopes for his election and the retirement of Congressman Edgar W. Hiestand because of the latter's membership in the John Birch Society and his reactionary record in congress.

More Women

Mrs. Price noted that under President Kennedy many more women have been appointed to jobs previously held by men. The civil service barriers against women in government jobs are rapidly being removed, she said, and she sees no reason why a qualified woman could not be considered for the position of Secretary of State. She noted that more and more women are being appointed to responsible posts in the foreign service.

Asked about former Maj. Gen. Walker's part in the Oxford, Mississippi riots, Mrs. Price said she thought Walker a fair example of the type of person in the John Birch Society. She also said she thinks the nation as a whole thinks the society of much less consequence than does Southern California.

In charge of the dinner was Mrs. Kay Martell, of Saugus, and appearing on the platform, in addition to Mrs. Price and Burkhalter were Assemblyman Tom Carrell, Assembly candidate John Gunn, of the 64th District, and Councilman John Gibson, candidate for County Assessor.

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October 10, 1962

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am employed by the Missiles and Space Systems Division of Douglas Aircraft Company, and work regularly on projects relating to national security. A top secret clearance was granted to me two years ago. Because of the nature of my work, I feel obliged to be quite cautious with regard to any organizations that I might choose to join.

For several months I have been considering becoming a member of the John Birch Society, since it appears to be a potentially effective means for the individual citizen to assist in concerted anti-Communist and anti-socialist activity. Many of my friends are in the Society, all of whom I feel are very fine citizens. I have read all the published material I can find on the Society, and have found nothing to criticize beyond a possible over-zealousness on the part of some members. Nevertheless, the controversy that has surrounded the Society has made me wary. Of course, I have no way of knowing whether some parts of the Birch Society have been infiltrated by subversives, or to what extent if any it might be associated with any right-wing subversive groups such as the Ku Klux Klan or the American Nazi Party.

I would greatly appreciate having the benefit of whatever information your office has regarding the Birch Society and whether there is any reason to doubt its loyalty. If no such information is available, or if it cannot be released, I would appreciate your advice as to any other sources of counsel on this subject. Thank you very much.

Yours very truly,

[Redacted Signature]

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Los Angeles 49, California

Dear [REDACTED]:

Your letter of October 10, 1962, has been received, and the thought prompting you to write is appreciated.

With respect to your inquiry concerning the John Birch Society, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. In addition, information contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I am unable to help you and hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have data in our files relating to the subject about which you asked.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Birchers 'Not Political,' Says National Councilman

The John Birch Society is not a political organization and it does not endorse candidates for political office.

This is the statement made by Paul T. Talbert, insurance broker and member of the Birch Society's 25-man national council.

Talbert said he was releasing his statement in the wake of a radio-television debate between Max Rafferty and Ralph Richardson, rival candidates for the post of state superintendent of public instruction.

Richardson told a statewide audience numbering millions that Rafferty has been endorsed by the John Birch group, Talbert said.

"This is 100% in error," Talbert said.

"It seems that some people have the idea that the society dictates how its members should vote. Nothing could be further from the truth.

"The society is not a political organization and is not concerned with politics, but with the preservation of our

nation in the face of a worldwide communistic conspiracy."

"Therefore, we do not endorse candidates for office. We do examine their records, however, and make the findings available."

Talbert said that Richardson's comment "was obviously an effort to injure Rafferty," adding:

"Richardson and others will learn that pinning the conservative label on political rivals actually serves to assist the very people they are attempting, in their smugness, to damage or destroy."

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POLITICAL NOTES

John Birch Society Gets Defense Against Politicos

The John Birch Society is getting "unfair abuse and vilification at the hand of politicians," candidate of both parties were told recently by a member of the society's national council, Paul H. Talbert, Beverly Hills insurance executive.

In identical letters sent to all California office-seekers, Talbert stated "no organization is less deserving o such treatment at the hands of Americans who believe in freedom under our Constitution.

"Politicians of both parties are mistaken when they accuse the John Birch Society of being a political organization," Talbert declared.

"The society does not pick candidates, support candidates or engage in political activities," he added. "Members study election issues, however, and analyze them in the light of Constitutional principle, forming opinions on the basis of their individual findings."

He emphasized the society is not a secret organization.

Democratic Lt. Gov. Glenn Anderson is in for a busy day Monday.

Between 1 and 3 p.m. he and Mrs. Anderson will be guests at a tea at the residence of Mrs. Alicia Kempner, 240 S. Burlingame Ave., Brentwood.

Then they will be guests at a champagne party to be given at a restaurant at 224 S. Beverly Drive, with Mrs. Dorothy Henley serving as chairman of the Beverly Hills Committee working for Anderson's reelection.

Mrs. Henley say all Democrats are invited to attend the party. They will be guests there between 4:30 and 6 p.m.

Congressman Gordon L. McDonough of the 30th Congressional District was among the guest speakers at a recent meeting of the Centennial Commemoration of the Sokol Athletic Association of Ameri-

ca at Rodger Young Auditorium, one of the largest such organizations in the world.

Other guest speakers included James L. Cihak of Chicago, educational director of the American Sokol organization, who was introduced by Charles J. Kuderna, master of ceremonies. An entertainment program was headed by Jerry Marak. Karl J. Palace, head of Sokol's Pacific Coast American branch, served as chairman.

Clipper Mariner Club of St. John's Presbyterian Church, 11000 National Blvd., Westdale, is sponsoring a public "Meet Your Candidates" night at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow at the church's Fellowship Hall.

Among candidates scheduled to appear are Pete Smith, Assembly aspirant; John Lear, seeking a Congressional seat, along with Bob Felixson and Dr. Daniel Beltz and Pat McGee, candidate for the state Senate.

Hollywood's AFL Film Council—composed of unions and guilds representing more than 24,000 employees of the motion picture industry—have voted a resolution "strongly commending and sincerely thanking" U.S. Sen. Thomas Kuchel for his efforts to curb the flight of American motion picture production to foreign countries. "This council goes on record

as commending Sen. Kuchel for his active, able and effective assistance and cooperation in promoting the best interests and economic welfare of all those employed in the motion picture industry of Southern California and their families," gist of the resolution read.

Next Tuesday, 40 women will kiss their husbands and children goodbye, trade their homes for a mobile one and travel via bus up and down California holding rallies, raising funds and passing out literature in functioning for electing state Sen. Richards to the U.S. Senate.

They term themselves "WOW"—Women on Wheels—and Goldie Kennedy, former state women's Democratic chairman and leader of the "Golden Girls," official hostesses for the 1960 National Democratic convention, is their leader.

Senator Richards will lanuch the drive from the California State Building at 9 a.m. Tuesday and will meet the girls in Fresno the same evening at a rally there.

Summarization of his campaign program will be given by Pete Smith, Republican candidate for election in the 59th Assembly district, at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at a meeting of the B'nai David PTA at 9017 W. Pico Blvd.

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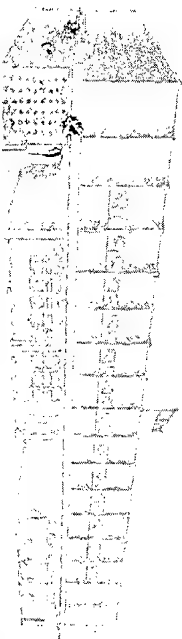
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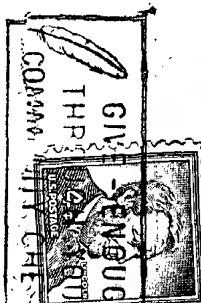
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WHY JOIN THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY?

Because:

1. *You will be proud of your membership.*

We seek to have associated with us only men and women of good character, good conscience, and religious ideals, as well as fervent patriotism. Simply being anti-Communist is not enough. We are a growing body of citizens, with a deep sense of responsibility, who are dedicated to saving for our children and their children as much as possible of the glorious country and humane civilization which we ourselves inherited.

2. *Our program is long-range and positive.*

It is our aim to bring about less government, more responsibility, and a better world. Our fight with the Communists is incidental to our major purposes. But the Communists seek, everywhere and always, more government, less individual responsibility, and a completely amoral world. They also seek, by conspiratorial means, to subjugate our nation and our people to the tyranny of the Kremlin. Our first and most urgent task, therefore, is to defeat and destroy the Communist conspiracy.

3. *We are fighting the Communists, nobody else.*

From the day the Society was founded we have worked with and supported, in every way practicable, all other anti-Communist groups and leaders. We have kept on doing so, right through extensive, repeated, and harmful criticisms of ourselves by some of those same leaders. We feel that the Conservative cause today simply cannot afford the normal luxury of human jealousy and rivalries. We are doing all we can to increase the cohesiveness and effectiveness of all the anti-Communist forces, and shall continue to do so.

4. *Membership increases but does not limit your patriotic labors.*

The John Birch Society concentrates on worthwhile projects in ten major categories of effort. Naturally we cannot initiate or support action on more than a small fraction of the projects suggested to us, or on which other groups are already working. Also, our activities usually deal with matters of national rather than regional interest. But of course any member can carry on any additional patriotic work that appeals to his own judgment and conscience. And especially with regard to local activities we expect our members to follow energetically the course of good citizenship.

5. *All you do as a member is magnified by concerted action.*

One telegram to a Congressman, one letter to an editor, one telephone call to a radio commentator, one protest against having some pro-Communist speaker foisted on your community, one request at your library for a certain book, one purchase of the products of a sponsor of any conservative television program—one lone separate act of any similar kind is like a grain of sand scattered to the wind. But when tens of thousands drop their grains of sand on the same pile at the same time, a bulwark can be created sufficiently high and strong to block the course of a whole left-wing advance.

6. *Our membership can move as a body promptly when needed.*

When Senator Thurmond wanted the Senate Armed Services Committee to undertake an investigation of the removal of General Walker and of the Fulbright intimidation program, the Society was among several patriotic groups which together poured 150,000 telegrams and letters into Washington on very short notice. We believe we may have accounted for a majority of those messages—and the investigation was voted. Even though we were quite small when *Newsweek* published an incredibly distorted article favorable to the Algerian FLN, our flood of protests obliged *Newsweek* editors to look more carefully into the situation and then admit they had been wrong. We can strike with the hammer of concerted action while an iron is hot.

7. *We are realists in the whole struggle.*

We are not fooled by any such nonsense as that Tito can be weaned away from his masters in the Kremlin; or that the Supreme Court doesn't know what it is doing when it is legislating contrary to the clearly expressed intent of our legislators; or that Adlai Stevenson is an inspired anti-Communist. We know that the worldwide Communist conspiracy made terrific gains during the eight years from 1953 through 1960, both internationally and within the United States itself—and that it is making even more rapid steps today towards total global conquest. Our undertaking is to expose this conspiracy and stop the conspirators, before it is too late. We are not just going through motions, and we mean business every foot of the way.

8. *The steps we take and actions we urge are practicable, with good prospects of either success or effectiveness.*

Each week we receive recommendations for dozens of projects, each of which usually seems to the member urging it to be the most important single need on the whole Cold War front. And almost all of them really are important. But we have many considerations to weigh, and most important is the likelihood of our accomplishing anything worth while with all of the labor of our members.

We have not believed, for instance, that there was the slightest chance of having our government take over Cuba and throw out Castro by military force. Nor of persuading the Administration to discard its idiotic "peace corps"; nor of getting the United Nations out of the United States at the present time; nor even of abolishing that monstrosity, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. And while campaigns on behalf of some of these objectives could serve excellent educational purposes, we have preferred other projects which seemed to us likely to have both greater educational impact and more chances of specific accomplishment, as well as other advantages.

9. *We do not think the struggle can be won by throwing sofa pillows at straw men.*

Our willingness to take an aggressive course, when total circumstances and considerations seem to us to weigh in its favor, is best illustrated by our *Movement To Impeach Earl Warren*. For the arguments in favor of that action include the following:

(a) Regardless of where Warren's personal sympathies lie, he has had—and still has—long continued, powerful, and open pro-Communist support. (Of one Warren-led Supreme Court decision a prominent Communist organizer and spokesman said: "This is the greatest victory the Communist Party ever had.") His impeachment would be a shattering blow to the morale of the extreme Left, and a tremendous encouragement to the Americanist forces. The specific objective, therefore, is of huge significance.

(b) The chances of actually accomplishing that objective, as small as they may seem, are probably greater than for any action of equal importance which the Comsymps oppose. We think that, by building up enough knowledge and understanding of the case, over a long enough period of time, it is entirely possible to generate the public pressure on the House of Representatives that will cause it to impeach Earl Warren. And so, obviously, does the Left Wing, or it would not fight and abuse the Movement with so much fervor.

(c) Far from undertaking any personal vilification of Warren, we have made it crystal clear that what we are aiming at is the usurpation by the Supreme Court, under Warren's leadership, of powers severely denied it by the Constitution. It is in no way practicable to try to impeach the whole Supreme Court simultaneously, and it is both logical and fair to bring impeachment proceedings first against the Chief Justice. We believe that the violation of his oath of office to uphold and support the Constitution of the United States, by decisions which visibly punched huge, ragged holes in that Constitution, supply ample legal grounds for the impeachment of Warren, and that no other grounds are necessary. Actually, the House of Representatives, like a grand jury, can bring impeachment proceedings for *any* cause which it considers sufficient, as was shown by Thomas Jefferson in the impeachment he obtained of Supreme Court Justice Chase. Conviction, and removal from office, in the trial by the Senate, is an entirely different matter in which, quite properly, we have taken no position.

(d) Even before obtaining impeachment, the MOVEMENT can produce many results beneficial to the Americanist cause. Just as Mr. Dooley said a hundred years ago that the Supreme Court reads the election returns the same as anybody else, so today we are sure the Supreme Court listens to the winds of opinion howling around it, the same as do other bodies. If those winds become strong enough and loud enough, we believe we shall see increasingly less deviation by the Supreme Court from its Constitutional duties, without waiting for any impeachment drive to come to a head.

(e) The opportunities for educational effort, provided by the MOVEMENT TO IMPEACH WARREN, are unbeatable. Already there are millions of Americans waking up to the vital differences between a republic and a democracy, to the fact that our Founding Fathers deliberately and most emphatically gave us a republic instead of a democracy, and to the further fact that for fifty years there has been a tremendous conspiratorial drive to change this nation into a democracy and to make the American people accept the change without even realizing it. Without the dramatization of this and other issues, through a cumulative effort for a specific objective which can readily be understood, it would have been far more difficult to bring one-fourth of the same good citizens to take any interest in identically these same issues.

(f) This is the first instance in a decade of the offensive being taken by the Americanist forces. The Comsymps long ago set the pattern, whereby they always have the initiative and pick the time and place of their attacks. As each new offensive is unleashed by them on some part of the front, the Americanist forces immediately leap to the defensive, recede somewhat, stand firm a while, draw back some more, and gradually give ground over any long period of time. But they never attack the positions already taken by the enemy. And in fighting always on the defensive, there is never any place to go *except back*—which is what the Comsymps count on in their strategy.

In this instance *we* have chosen the battleground, and gone on the offensive, which is what makes the whole Left Wing so angry and disturbed. We are not supposed to attack, but only to cringe and defend. But here, in the course of a long drawn-out struggle, it is *we* who call the turns, and decide when and where to make new sallies, to apply new pressures, to consolidate our position and wait for reinforcements, or to advance again on this whole segment of the Comsymp front. By doing so, not only do we accomplish many corollary objectives, but in this fight every major change in the position is in our favor. For we have put the Comsymps and their Liberal dupes and allies on the defensive, which is where they ought to be.

(g) And we have carefully chosen a very vulnerable spot of the enemy, against which to launch this determined and sustained attack. For there is simply no way that the Comsymps and Liberals can defend the actions of the Supreme Court since Warren became Chief Justice without making clear to any informed observer that what they really want is to change completely our whole form of government and destroy our marvelous inheritance.

10. *The John Birch Society is the one movement which the Communists fear.*

They themselves have stated, in their official publications for the faithful (and not intended for the American people), that The John Birch Society is the core and leader of a movement from the "Right" which is a greater danger to Communism than was Senator McCarthy. (Which we consider a very high compliment.)

In December, 1960, Moscow issued a directive that anti-Communist groups must be destroyed in 1961. As was made clear in the booklet, *The New Drive Against The Anti-Communist Program*, issued by the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, The John Birch Society has borne the brunt of that whole attack in America.

Pursuant to the orders from Moscow, the Communist *People's World*, of San Francisco, by an editorial published on February 25, 1961, set off a smear campaign against us which was picked up and repeated in more than a hundred Liberal newspapers throughout the country. Since then the Communist *Worker* has attacked us continuously, at times carrying different smears against us on as many as six pages out of sixteen in one issue. The extreme Liberal Press throughout the world, in Mexico, in all of Latin America, in France, in Germany, in England, have all warned their readers everywhere of the danger from The John Birch Society. And on September 23, 1961, *Nedelya*, which is the weekly supplement to the official Soviet journal, *Izvestia*, published in Moscow, used a whole page to blast us. (In Russian, of course, and it cost us twenty-six dollars to get the long diatribe translated!)

So far the Moscow directive has not been carried out, because we rather firmly refuse to be destroyed. But we feel that all of this attention by the comrades to our activities, and especially to our potential growth, has been well earned. And we hope to earn it even more conclusively in the future.

11. *The comrades have reason to worry about The John Birch Society.*

In this life-and-death struggle there is no time for modesty. We give you simply and factually, therefore, some of the reasons why the Communists fear us.

(a) We are not just a study group. Since we are an army fighting with facts as our weapons, we know that to be better informed is to be better armed. So we heartily approve of anti-Communist study groups, for our members and all other good citizens. But we ourselves have a definite and aggressive action program, which is limited in its effectiveness only by our size. We have a formula for winning this struggle by means and efforts which, while widely varied and in many different categories, are basically educational; but which are bound to lead ultimately, through the information, understanding, and inspiration we supply, to political action on the part of a gradually aroused public which will break up the whole Communist conspiracy into helpless pieces. And we do not have to change a comma in our action program, and the Communists know it. All we have to do is to keep right on growing—in a race to become large enough before the Communists become all-powerful enough in this country to stop us by force.

(b) We have also developed an organizational formula that *works*. Neither by threatened investigations, nor by attempted ridicule, nor by infiltration, nor by insidious efforts to foment internal dissension, nor by the total smear campaign against us, have the Communists and their dupes and allies been able even to fracture the solidity of our tightly knit and growing organization. And again, we do not have to change our formula one iota. We need only to keep it working until we achieve sufficient size.

The Communists now have hundreds of thousands of actual enemy "troops" scattered throughout our land, all the more dangerous because they do not wear uniforms and are, in most cases, unidentifiable. They are fighting an actual war, right on our soil, right now, for the subjugation of our country and the physical enslavement of our citizens. Their weapons are propaganda, prestige, *money*, and all the levers of pressure and power short of *open* military force.

The John Birch Society, as small as we are, has the only organized force of any size in the nation, opposing this enemy with the same kind of weapons. (A growing effort of many command officers in our military services to use our uniformed forces and military strength to fight this enemy with educational and propaganda weapons has just been completely stopped by Senator Fulbright and all of the sinister influences behind him.) We not only have an army, tightly organized and firmly directed—with only love and loyalty to enforce control—but we have a paid and professional staff in the field.

This staff is young in length of service, lacking in experience and training, and terrifically overworked by its own dedication. But we are gradually progressing from the original situation where we had the blind leading the blind, through the stage where we had the one-eyed leading the blind, to bettered circumstances where we have at least a few of the two-eyed leading the one-eyed who are leading the multitudes of the blind. We intend to go on from there until our whole army has a strong core of experienced and knowledgeable veterans. And our need for more members, to reduce further the odds against us, is still greater than our need for more training. In military language we have only one division in the field to each ten, or possibly even twenty, divisions of the enemy. But the fact that all we need is to grow exactly as we are, to work as hard as we are now doing along exactly the same lines, with exactly the same dedication and willingness to sacrifice for the cause which our members have already shown—it is this *potential* strength of The John Birch Society, and its potential ultimate huge contribution to a victory for freedom, that drives the Comsymps frantic in their efforts to destroy us.

12. *And finally, if we do not supply the firmness and leadership for overcoming this enemy, who will?*

We are not discounting at all the great and necessary contributions being made, to an awakening of the American people to the Communist menace, by dozens of excellent groups and hundreds of patriotic leaders. We honor them, and applaud their work. We are not overlooking for a minute the consecration of the truly religious people of America, and of their spiritual leaders, to the defeat of atheistic Communism. Without their wholehearted participation and support The John Birch Society would be of no importance.

But some of the leaders are publishers, some writers, some lecturers or commentators. Some of the organizations are study groups, some put on schools to teach about Communism, some concentrate on specific objectives. Every church group or truly religious body is limited in some way in its activities or its approaches to the problem. None of the groups or leaders, in the churches or out, has a realistic action program or the organization to maintain one.

Throughout the world today there are literally tens of millions of individuals who would give their lives, instantly and willingly, to free their respective countries from the Communist tyranny. In the United States the big question, even with good patriots, is whether or not to endanger their social standing or "respectability," or chances of promotion, or even their comfort, for the cause of freedom. It is easier to salve their consciences by joining some organization that goes through a lot of motions and engages in a lot of meetings and conversation, in opposition to Communism—all of which disturb the Communists about as much as firecrackers thrown at a battleship. For such "take-it-easy" patriots, until they are far more alarmed and more determined, The John Birch Society has little appeal. Our people know what the score is, and do not think that we can carry the ball in this game without getting mud spattered over us. Fully conscious of the labors and sacrifices required, they had rather play on our team than to stand on the sidelines and cheer for somebody else. They know that on their courage, steadfastness, energy, and determination now depends the fate of our country and the future of our children.

The John Birch Society is the rallying point for those who, knowing the power and nature of the enemy, still dare to face him down. We know that arguing about Communism is not enough, and that *we must stop the Communists*. This will take unceasing labor and unswerving courage, on all fronts, and through storms of attack which will get darker, stronger, and more vicious before the enemy is finally routed, and before the whole world can see light and freedom once again. We think that the goal is worth the cost, and that we have no other course. If you agree, *and if you have what it takes*, we invite you to get in touch with us or our representatives, to learn more about us, and then to apply for membership. When admitted you will find yourself in what averages to be—we truly believe—the finest body of men and women in the whole world today.

For a far more thorough introduction to The John Birch Society, we suggest that you buy and read our

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Los Angeles 17, California
October 26, 1962

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Business Representative
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Machinists
214 South Loma Drive, Suite 6
Los Angeles 26, California

Dear [REDACTED]

Receipt of the material you
recently forwarded to this office is
hereby acknowledged.

Your interest in making this
information available is sincerely
appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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W. G. SIMON *WGS*
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Birch Founder at Pasadena**Welch Warns Reds
On Move in World**

Communism is rising in Africa, the Orient, Latin America and Italy, according to Robert Welch, the Massachusetts candy manufacturer-founder of the anti-Red John Birch Society.

He spoke last night in Pasadena Civic Auditorium before more than 3000 persons at a meeting sponsored by the Los Angeles chapter of the society.

"The Communists can count on unceasing support from powerful influences in Washington," Welch told his listeners. He added that Americans "are willing to accept Red gains because the Americans don't know what is happening."

The Birch Society leader said the American people do not recognize the part the Reds are playing in Africa and that the Communists were helped when both the

United States and the United Nations "brazenly subjugated Katanga for their Communist friends."

Before the Pasadena address, Welch appeared on the TV show of Dr. James W. Field Jr., pastor of the First Congregational Church of Los Angeles.

He said last week's elections indicated "somewhat of a sweep to the left" and because of this trend "there has been an amazing surge of interest" in the Birch Society.

"Applications for membership are pouring into our office," he said.

Welch blamed "conniving" for the defeat of three Southern California Congressmen who are members of the Birch Society.

"The whole left wing in America was out to defeat Rep. John Rousselot," R-Calif., Welch said.

He said the society is beginning a campaign against the United Nations.

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**A-10 Herald-Examiner
Los Angeles, Calif.**

Date: **11/12/62**

Edition: **8th Star**

Author:

Editor: **Herbert H. Krauch**

Title: **John Birch Society**

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Washington Aids Reds, Robert Welch Claims

Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society, said Sunday night in Pasadena that "the Communists can count on unceasing support from powerful influences in Washington."

The Massachusetts candy manufacturer said the American people "are willing to accept" Communist gains because Americans "don't know" what is happening.

The Alliance for Progress was cited by Welch as an example of the federal government "turning over \$20 billion" to Communism.

Speaking before more than 3,000 persons at a meeting sponsored by the Los Angeles office of the John Birch Society in the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, Welch outlined the history of communism in the last 10 years.

Americans, Welch said, fail to recognize the hand of the Communists at work in Africa. That hand was aided, he said, when the United States and the United Nations "brazenly subjugated Katanga for their Communist friends."

Welch also depicted communism as rising in other areas, including South Korea, Japan, Italy and Latin America.

Earlier, Welch appeared on the weekly TV show of Dr. James W. Fifiield Jr., Congregationalist minister, and said there has been "an amazing surge of interest" in the Birch Society since recent election results showed "somewhat a sweep to the left." He also announced a new John Birch Society drive against the United Nations.

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**I-32 Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, Calif.**

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Author:

Editor: Nick B. Williams

Title: John Birch Society

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Birch Society Equipment Is Stolen

A John Birch society representative yesterday complained to San Mateo police that someone rifled his car of \$1555 worth of Birch society books, and movie equipment.

George Edward Griffin of Los Angeles told police the theft occurred sometime between 8 p.m. Tuesday night and 4 p.m. yesterday.

Officer Al Ajuria who investigated said the car had been parked in front of Griffin's motel room. A right wing window was smashed. Fingerprints were obtained.

An itemized list of the loss included a 16-millimeter sound projector, \$550; 50-inch projector screen, \$35; an extension speaker, \$15; tape recorder, \$200; microphone, \$70; three reels of film on a speech by Robert Welch, society leader, \$225; a box of tape and connecting cables for a microphone, \$25; 50 printed blue books for the society, \$100; a set of standard books for the society, \$300; and 35 packets of printed John Birch society material, \$35.

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The Times

San Mateo, Calif.

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Date of Report

Nov. 8, 1962

Date(s) of activity

Brief description of activity or material

Mtg of the Hollywood Hills Freedom Club

**Place: Wonderland Ave. School
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MEETING OF THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS FREEDOMS CLUB
place: Wonderland Avenue School
8500 Wonderland Ave
Los Angeles

time: 8:00 PM

This was the regular monthly meeting of the Hollywood Hills Freedoms Club. The persons participating in the program were: Rabbi MAX MERRITT who gave the invocation, JULIA and CURLEY BROWN, PAUL ^{TOOT} and MARION MILLER, STEPHEN FOOTE, JOHN LECHNER, GEORGE TOTT (reporter for the Herald Examiner) and GORDON BROWNING, the principle speaker who is a Los Angeles Police officer.

After the invocation by Rabbi MERRITT, the moderator (he was not identified) introduced GORDON BROWNING stating "Our principle speaker this evening is GORDON BROWNING who is a member of the Los Angeles Police Department."

Mr. BROWNING'S speech in no way gave the implication either directly or indirectly that he was speaking either officially or unofficially for the Los Angeles Police Department or any other official organization of the City of Los Angeles. Mr. BROWNING is a very fine speaker and is obviously dedicated to the preservation of his country and his family through his fight against Communism.

Following Mr. BROWNING'S talk there were awards given to the above named persons for their contribution to the Hollywood Hills Freedoms Club through their participation and assistance.

The meeting was then opened to questions from the audience which numbered 32 persons. There were several questions asked each of the above named persons and it was obvious by the nature of the questions that there was no animosity generated in the audience.

The meeting was then closed by the moderator with the comment that there were several pieces of literature on the table at the rear of the auditorium. They are as follows:

Exhibit 1 - pamphlet entitled "Citizens United-Press, Inc!" sub-heading "Democratic leaders deny that California Democratic Council is infiltrated"

Exhibit 2 - leaflet "A Counterspy views Communist sub-version", subtitled "Scientific Socialism --- bunk!"

Exhibit 3 - leaflet, "A Counterspy views Communist sub-version", subtitled "The Kremlin's Cultural Exchange Fraud"

MEETING OF THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS FREEDOM CLUB

- Exhibit 4 - an essay "Fabian Socialist Society"
- Exhibit 5 - pamphlet "Americans for Democratic Action"
- Exhibit 6 - pamphlet "Truth About the American Civil Liberties Union"
- Exhibit 7 - leaflet "Blueprint for World Government"

Note: There was a black and white radio car arrived at the above location at approximately ten minutes to 8:00 PM. The two officers in uniform remained outside the door during the entire program.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55822)

DATE: 10/23/62

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: ORANGE COUNTY SECTION
COMMUNIST PARTY (CP), USA
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
<div>[redacted]</div> who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Orange County CP Club meeting, 10/15/62.	10/17/62	Writer	<div>[redacted]</div>

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"Oct 16, 1962

"Report

"Event: Communist Party meeting
Time: Oct 15, 1962, 8:30 P.M.

Place:

[redacted]

Los Alamitos, California

CC:

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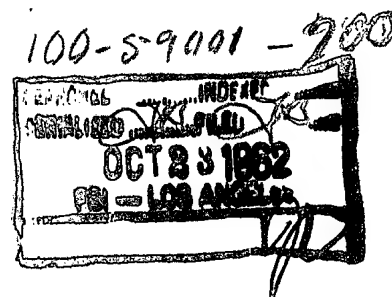
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"On Oct 15, 1962 a meeting of the Communist Party of Orange County was held at the residence of [redacted]

"During conversation [redacted] said that there would be a meeting of comrades from the various clubs to discuss Trade Unions. This meeting is to be held on Oct 23 at [redacted] house [redacted] Comrades from all the clubs are urged to send representatives.

[redacted] stated that she is a board member of the South Bay ACLU group.

[redacted] also gave a report on a recent state meeting of comrades held in Los Angeles to discuss the Negro problem. She said most of those attending were from San Francisco.

"She said the party was urging all comrades to write letters to President KENNEDY commending him on his activities in the MEREDITH case at Mississippi University. She also noted that one of the comrades, who lives in Laurel Canyon has his house up for sale for \$65,000.

"There was considerable conversation about the [redacted] lack of interest in the Party & it was decided that [redacted] would contact them. They have not paid dues since January.

"It was also announced by [redacted] that there would be a public debate between Rep. LOUIS FRANCIS & Mr. EASON MONROE of

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"ACLU on the 24th Prop (Francis Amendment) on Oct 26th at Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach. She said the Birchers have reserved 400 seats & the Party is urging 'all progressives to attend'.

"Note: - with the mixed group there could be trouble at this meeting.

[] also noted that there were presently 200,000 Muslims in the USA."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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for: mal

Dear Sir:

I would like to get some facts about the "John Birch Society". I understand you have located with the "John Birch Society" and I for one would like to know what you have learned about it. If you can't give me this info maybe you can let me know where I may get this info on the John Birch Society.

Also any thing you have about the members of the society or head of it. (John Birch Society) and what they stand for, and if there is any communitarianism in it.
Thank you for your trouble.

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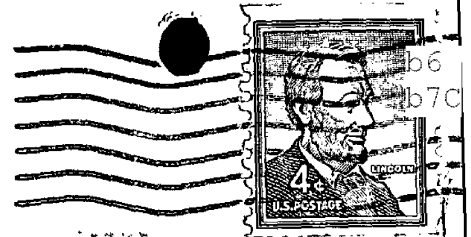
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1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California

November 21, 1962

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[Redacted]
Lynwood, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Reference is made to your letter of recent date addressed to our Inglewood office.

Although I would like very much to be able to assist you, I must advise that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is strictly an investigative agency and information in our files is confidential and available for official use only. Furthermore, the Federal Bureau of Investigation makes no evaluations or recommendations concerning the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. You should not interpret our inability to furnish any comment as implying that we do or do not have information in our files concerning the subject of your inquiry.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Dept. of Justice
1340 West 6th Street
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sirs,

I have heard many sides to the merit and the malignity of the John Birch Society. Please send me some reports on the activities of this organization to clarify the vitally important questions I have listed below:

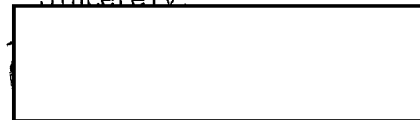
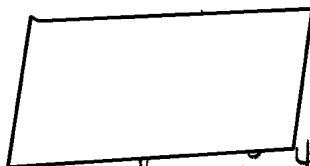
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Does this society believe in a stronger federal govt?

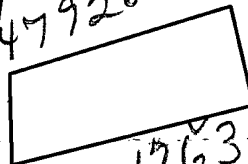
Is this society prejudiced toward any race, color, or creed?

What religion does this society advocate? Etc.....

Sincerely



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1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California

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Beverly Hills, California

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Both Sides Are Bluffing, Says Birch Leader

Robert Welch aired several of his controversial ideas Tuesday in an informal meeting with Whittier College students, many armed with copies of his Blue Book.

"Do you believe an armed conflict between Russia and the United States is inevitable?" asked a student.

"That's the last thing we have to worry about," replied the founder of the Birch Society. He said both sides are bluffing. "I think the American people would be willing to fight, but the government isn't interested at all."

Trujillo Praised

Asked why he never expressed displeasure with "right wing dictatorships like those of Trujillo and Batista," Welch retorted:

"There was more individual freedom in the Dominican Republic when Trujillo was in power than in practically any other Latin country. He brought about a gradual rise in the standard of living and education. Trujillo was unjustly smeared."

Then in answer to a question about Communists in this country, Welch declared:

"Communists are the Achilles' heel in our whole political system. Their aim is to get right people nominated in both parties ... get a few thousand (Communists) in important strategic positions.

Won't Name Any

"I'm not going to name the Communists high up in our government. But they're there. You see the visible results of these people who are trying to sell out this country. It's up to the attorney general, not me, to find out just who these Communists are."

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II-3 Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, Calif.

Date: 11/14/62
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Title: Robert Welch
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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-49599) DATE: 11/15/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JEWISH FRATERNAL
COORDINATING COMMITTEE
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Informant furnished the following written report:

cc: [REDACTED]

100-1783 (LACFFB)
100-28005 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-52043 (CLEVELAND HARRIS) (SI)
100-23755 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS)
100-44937 (EDWARD ROYBAL)
100-23423 (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
100-31014 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-45009 [REDACTED]
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"Los Angeles,
California.
3 November, 1962.

"On Wednesday, 31 October, 1962, at 8 p.m. at Musicians' Hall, 817 Vine St., L.A. was held a meeting.

"Subject:

"Real Issues In The Coming Election.

"Auspices.

"Members of Jewish Fraternal and Cultural Clubs in L.A.

"Outside of hall were VICKI VAN BOURG, gathering signatures to a petition for a bill for 'statute of limitation on deportations, and CLEVE HARRIS handing out leaflets, 'Why the Mc Carran Law needs a Statute of Limitation'. (copy enclosed).

"FRANK GIBSON arrived at 8 p.m. and talked with CLEVE HARRIS.

"CLEVE said ROYBAL (councilman, one of speakers) was late.

"At about 8.10 p.m. the Star Spangled Banner was sung in the hall, the singing led by a male negro singer, on the stage.

"At conclusion of the anthem HARRIS, GIBSON and VICKI VAN BOURG entered the hall and took their seats, next to each other.

"The singer on the stage sang two songs, 'My Home', and 'Old Man River'.

"After the applause of the audience the speaker came forward and greeted those present. He said the election campaign (6 Nov.) was a dirty one, smearing and besmirching.

"The speaker called on - SHARPIRO, of the Jewish Cultural Club, if in audience, to come and take a seat on the stage.

"Mr. SHARPIRO went toward the stage.

"At this point there was a stir in the audience then some clapping, Mr. ED ROYBAL had arrived and went to the stage.

"The master of ceremonies (speaker) said he was pleased with this interruption and after giving a background of Mr. ROYBAL, introduced him and gave him the floor.

"On the stage were, pianist (male caucasian), the singer, and seated at back of stage three men and one woman (SARAH GILBERT).

"MR. ROYBAL made a speech, speaking of the strenuousness of the campaign work. ROYBAL finished his speech with expression of his opinion against Proposition 24.

"The speaker then introduced the next speaker, PAULINE NIGHTINGALE, candidate for Municipal Court Judge.

"PAULINE NIGHTINGALE spoke for about ten minutes, main point, that many persons unfortunate enough to be brought to court were bewildered, frightened and inarticulate. They needed to be treated with sympathy and dignity .

"The next speaker was - CHAPMAN, of International Longshoremen and Warehouse Union.

"Among other Election points CHAPMAN spoke on Proposition 24, some (voters) would think it (Prop. 24) was anti-communist and vote for it.

"Proposition 24, would make it possible for any organization or body to be called communist. CHAPMAN referred in a humorous manner to the 75 hundred communists (probably meaning in U.S.A.) and 15 hundred F.B.I. informers, that the informers kept the communist party going with their due etc, and so, in effect the F.B.I. kept the party in business, without which the F.B.I. could not get the big appropriation. (laughter in the audience).

"CHAPMAN criticized the Birch Society and ROUSSELOT as a Bircher.

"Referring to the candidates for Supt. of Public Instruction CHAPMAN was for RALPH RICHARDSON, saying his opponent, RAFFERTY, had referred to students as 'Slobs', and anyone who could thus talk of students did not merit the position of Public Instruction superintendent.

"GEORGE BROWN was worth supporting.

"The main point of CHAPMAN'S speech was anti-Proposition 24.

"The speaker read several letters from invited speakers who were unable to attend. One letter from Mr. RICHARDS.

"The letters started off, 'Dear Mr. GARFIELD', am not sure if that was the speaker's name or if he was acting on someone else's behalf.

"The speaker announced:

"Friday, 16 November, 1962, 8 p.m.

"FELIX GREENE will speak on China.

"Playhouse. 940 S. Figueroa. L.A.

"The speaker said these meetings (as present one) were made possible by contributions. This meeting cost about \$200.

"A collection followed and later it was announced \$189.99 was collected.

"The meeting concluded shortly after ten p.m.

"There were approximately 350 - 400 persons present.

"Most of the audience was middle-aged and over. Very few colored people. In audience were two negroes, possibly few more not seen by the writer.

"In the foyer, on several small tables was a small assortment of literature (copies enclosed). Outside a man gave out 'ROYBAL For Congress' leaflets to the parting crowd.

"Among those present were.--

"SARAH GELBERT
VICKI VAN BOURG
IDA KATZ
CHAPMAN
ED ROYBAL
FRANK GIBSON
ALEX PASSICOFF
CLEVE HARRIS

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ACTION:

On 11/6/62 informant made available 2 leaflets received at the above meeting. One [] was a leaflet concerning Proposition 24 which states it was issued by the Citizens Committee to Defeat Proposition 24, and the other [] concerned the WALTER McCARRAN Act and issued by the LACPFB.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer

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PAULINE NIGHTINGALE

FELIX GREENE

CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO DEFEAT PROPOSITION 24

May We Ask You Some Questions

- (1) Do you really know the score, and if not are you willing to do the conscientious reading to find out?
- (2) If you know the score, what are you waiting for?
- (3) In the coming showdown with the Communists, just where and what is the group you had rather have defending your country, instead of The John Birch Society?
- (4) It is clear that if enough good Americans came into The John Birch Society soon enough, our concerted effort could stop the Communists. Do you know of any other way, or chance, of stopping them?
- (5) Which do you value more, your present "non-controversial" status of drawing room conventionality, or the future freedom of your family?
- (6) Do you want to save your country, your home, and your life itself, or to go on blindly piling up more money for the Communists to confiscate?
- (7) Do you want to stand on your two feet and fight for what you believe in, or maintain your comfortable aloofness while others do all of the fighting for you?
- (8) When your children are living under the same cruel tyranny that has already befallen Cuba, China, Czecho-Slovakia, and the Congo, how are they going to appraise what you did to prevent it?
- (9) Are you willing to face facts now or, preserving your vested and protective interest in past error, remain among the willfully blind, who simply will not see?
- (10) "Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death." Will you join us in that same resolve?

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Belmont 78, Massachusetts

Still, if you will not fight for the right when you can easily win without bloodshed; if you will not fight when your victory will be sure and not too costly; you may come to the moment when you will have to fight with all odds against you and only a precarious chance of survival. There may even be a worse case. You may have to fight when there is no hope of victory, because it is better to perish than to live as slaves.

- Winston Churchill

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Have You Had Enough?

Enough of fighting Communism by helping to subjugate anti-Communists, as in Katanga?

Enough of pouring American foreign-aid money into the hands of out-and-out Communists?

Enough of having the Supreme Court destroy the safeguards of our Constitutional Republic?

Enough of the surrender of American sovereignty and independence to the Communist-controlled United Nations?

Enough of the plans now *officially* advocated by our State Department to abolish our armed forces altogether, and turn over the protection and security of the United States to the international "peace force" of the United Nations? (See State Department Document No. 7277)

Enough of a whole foreign policy run by such men as Adlai Stevenson and Dean Rusk?

Enough of Senator Fulbright's program to "muzzle" our patriotic officers and demoralize our whole armed services?

Enough of negotiations with the Kremlin butchers over how much more we are going to retreat?

Enough of inflation at home, humiliation abroad, and defeatism everywhere with regard to the future? Then you may want to join us and help to do something about it.

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Beliefs and Principles of the John Birch Society

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. JOHN H. ROUSSELOT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 12, 1962

Mr. ROUSSELOT. Mr. Speaker, many of my colleagues have questioned me concerning the beliefs and principles of the John Birch Society. For their benefit, under unanimous consent I insert those beliefs and principles in the Appendix of the RECORD.

GENERAL BELIEFS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

I

With very few exceptions the members of the John Birch Society are deeply religious people. A member's particular faith is entirely his own affair. Our hope is to make better Catholics, better Protestants, better Jews—or better Moslems—out of those who belong to the society. Our never-ending concern is with morality, integrity, and purpose. Regardless of the differences between us in creed and dogma, we all believe that man is endowed by a Divine Creator with an innate desire and conscious purpose to improve both his world and himself. We believe that the direction which constitutes improvement is clearly visible and identifiable throughout man's known history, and that this God-given upward reach in the heart of man is a composite conscience to which we all must listen.

II

We believe that the Communists seek to drive their slaves and themselves along exactly the opposite and downward direction, to the Satanic debasement of both man and his universe. We believe that communism is as utterly incompatible with all religion as it is contemptuous of all morality and destructive of all freedom. It is intrinsically evil. It must be opposed, therefore, with equal firmness, on religious grounds, moral grounds, and political grounds. We believe that the continued coexistence of communism and a Christian-style civilization on one planet is impossible. The struggle between them must end with one completely triumphant and the other completely destroyed. We intend to do our part, therefore, to halt, weaken, rout, and eventually to bury, the whole international Communist conspiracy.

III

We believe that means are as important as ends in any civilized society. Of all the falsehoods that have been so widely and deliberately circulated about us, none is so viciously untrue as the charge that we are willing to condone foul means for the sake

of achieving praiseworthy ends. We think that communism as a way of life, for instance, is completely wrong; but our ultimate quarrel with the Communists is that they insist on imposing that way of life on the rest of us by murder, treason, and cruelty rather than by persuasion. Even if our own use of force ever becomes necessary and morally acceptable because it is in self-defense, we must never lose sight of the legal, traditional, and humanitarian considerations of a compassionate civilization. The Communists recognize no such compulsions, but this very ingredient of amoral brutishness will help to destroy them in the end.

IV

We believe in patriotism. Most of us will gladly concede that a parliament of nations, designed for the purpose of increasing the freedom and ease with which individuals, ideals, and goods might cross national boundaries, would be desirable. And we hope that in some future decade we may help to bring about such a step of progress in man's pursuit of peace, prosperity, and happiness. But we feel that the present United Nations was designed by its founders for the exactly opposite purpose of increasing the rigidity of Government controls over the lives and affairs of individual men. We believe it has become, as it was intended to become, a major instrumentality for the establishment of a one-world Communist tyranny over the population of the whole earth. One of our most immediate objectives, therefore, is to get the United States out of the United Nations, and the United Nations out of the United States. We seek thus to save our own country from the gradual and piecemeal surrender of its sovereignty to this Communist-controlled supergovernment, and to stop giving our support to the steady enslavement of other people through the machinations of this Communist agency.

V

We believe that a constitutional Republic, such as our Founding Fathers gave us, is probably the best of all forms of government. We believe that a democracy, which they tried hard to obviate, and into which the liberals have been trying for 50 years to convert our Republic, is one of the worst of all forms of government. We call attention to the fact that up to 1928 the U.S. Army Training Manual still gave our men in uniform the following quite accurate definition, which would have been thoroughly approved by the Constitutional Convention that established our Republic. "Democracy: A Government of the masses. Authority derived through mass meeting or any form of direct expression results in mobocracy. Attitude toward property is communistic—negating property rights. Attitude towards law is that the will of the majority shall regulate, whether it be based upon deliberation or governed by passion, prejudice, and impulse,

without restraint or regard to consequences. Results in demagogism, license, agitation, discontent, anarchy." It is because all history proves this to be true that we repeat so emphatically: "This is a Republic, not a democracy; let's keep it that way."

VI

We are opposed to collectivism as a political and economic system, even when it does not have the police-state features of communism. We are opposed to it no matter whether the collectivism be called socialism or the welfare state or the New Deal or the Fair Deal or the New Frontier, or advanced under some other semantic disguise. And we are opposed to it no matter what may be the framework or form of government under which collectivism is imposed. We believe that increasing the size of government, increasing the centralization of government, and increasing the functions of government all act as brakes on material progress and as destroyers of personal freedom.

VII

We believe that even where the size and functions of government are properly limited, as much of the power and duties of government as possible should be retained in the hands of as small governmental units as possible, as close to the people served by such units as possible. For the tendencies of any governing body to waste, expansion, and despotism all increase with the distance of that body from the people governed; the more closely any governing body can be kept under observation by those who pay its bills and provide its delegated authority, the more honestly responsible it will be. And the diffusion of governmental power and functions is one of the greatest safeguards against tyranny man has yet devised. For this reason it is extremely important in our case to keep our township, city, County and State governments from being bribed and coerced into coming under one direct chain of control from Washington.

VIII

We believe that for any people eternal vigilance is the price of liberty far more as against the insidious encroachment of internal tyranny than against the danger of subjugation from the outside or from the prospect of any sharp and decisive revolution. In a republic we must constantly seek to elect and to keep in power a government we can trust, manned by people we can trust, maintaining a currency we can trust, and working for purposes we can trust (none of which we have today). We think it is even more important for the government to obey the laws than for the people to do so. But for 30 years we have had a steady stream of governments which increasingly have regarded our laws and even our Constitution as mere pieces of paper, which should not be allowed to stand in the way of what they, in their omniscient benevolence, considered to

be "for the greatest good of the greatest number." (Or in their power-seeking plans pretended so to believe.) We want a restoration of a "government of laws, and not of men" in this country; and if a few impeachments are necessary to bring that about, then we are all for the impeachments.

IX

We believe that in a general way history repeats itself. For any combination of causes, similar to an earlier combination of causes, will lead as a rule to a combination of results somewhat similar to the one produced before. And history is simply a series of causes which produced results, and so on around cycles as clearly discernible as any of the dozens that take place elsewhere in the physical and biological sciences. But we believe that the most important history consists not of the repetitions but of the changes in these recurring links in the series. For the changes mark the extent to which man

has either been able to improve himself and his environment, or has allowed both to deteriorate, since the last time around. We think that this true history is largely determined by ambitious individuals (both good and evil) and by small minorities who really know what they want. And in the John Birch Society our sense of gratitude and responsibility (to God and to the noble men of the past), for what we have inherited makes us determined to exert our influence, labor, and sacrifice for changes which we think will constitute improvement.

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In summary, we are striving, by all honorable means at our disposal and to the limits of our energies and abilities, to bring about less government, more responsibility, and a better world. Because the Communists seek, always and everywhere, to bring about more government, less individual responsibility, and a completely amoral world, we would have to oppose them at every turn, even on the philosophical level. Because

they are seeking through a gigantically organized conspiracy to destroy all opposition, we must fight them even more aggressively on the plane of action. But our struggle with the Communists, while the most urgent and important task before us today, is basically only incidental to our more important long-range and constructive purposes. For that very reason we are likely to be more effective against the Communists than if we were merely an ad hoc group seeking to expose and destroy so huge and powerful a gang of criminals. In organization, dedication, and purpose we offer a new form of opposition to the Communists which they have not faced in any other country. We have tried to raise a standard to which the wise and the honest can repair. We welcome all honorable allies in this present unceasing war. And we hope that once they and we and millions like us have won a decisive victory at last, many of these same allies will join us in our long look toward the future.

John Birch Society Investigated

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. JOHN H. ROUSSELOT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 14, 1962

Mr. ROUSSELOT. Mr. Speaker, the Efficiency Research Bureau, a private investigating firm, has completed a thorough investigation of the John Birch Society in Orange County, Calif. Findings of the Bureau are reported in the March 1962, issue of the Santa Ana Register, a newspaper published in Orange County. I believe the findings will be of interest to my colleagues. Under unanimous consent I place the report which appeared in the Register in the Appendix of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

The report follows:

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY INVESTIGATED

A private investigating firm, Efficiency Research Bureau, 800 South Harbor Boulevard, Anaheim, conducted a thorough investigation of the John Birch Society in Orange County, Calif. Efficiency Research Bureau was hired by the president of a local manufacturing firm to make an impartial study.

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A five-man team of investigators, including a Negro clergyman, sat in on numerous Birch meetings and accumulated a wealth of data on the organization and its operation. The following are the 14 conclusions to which the investigating team came, based upon their extensive research:

1. Many of the allegations and rumors against the John Birch Society could not be supported by fact.
2. The John Birch Society is an anti-Communist movement open to anyone interested in joining or attending meetings.
3. It's not a secret organization, but rather groups meeting for discussion of views and ways in which to fight the international Communist conspiracy.
4. The majority of John Birch Society members don't support or agree with many of the statements of Robert Welch, the society's founder; they seldom disagree with him on policy.
5. Each chapter is independent and each member cooperates with chapter, State and national views according to the dictates of his own conscience.
6. Efficiency Research Bureau investigators attending these meetings have found groups as small as 15 and as large as 59 at a single meeting. About 15 seemed to be preferred.
7. All indications show that the John Birch Society anti-Communist movement is growing continuously and steadily.

8. Utilizing both white and colored investigators, it was learned the John Birch Society isn't anti-Semitic, anti-Negro, or anti any religious group. That they, in fact, have chapters comprised entirely of colored membership. Also, it was found John Birch Society has Jewish members on the national advisory council.

9. Investigators found no evidence of violence or unlawful activity engaged in by the John Birch Society.

10. Investigators did learn that there were individuals who carried personal prejudices with them into the organization. It was learned John Birch Society works to isolate persons with such prejudice. If a whole chapter is found to share certain prejudices the area coordinators try to disseminate such groups.

11. Investigators learned there is a John Birch Society major coordinator for Orange, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino Counties and he has two coordinators directly under him.

12. Investigators expected to find a dictatorship and didn't find it.

13. The society as a whole works very hard to make sure that John Birch Society isn't used as a vehicle to promote prejudices.

14. Investigative work included checking out documented information by factfinding groups which is used as a basis for some John Birch Society work.

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The John Birch Society, Belmont 78, Massachusetts

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763)

DATE: 11/27/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)
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100-39704 [REDACTED]
100-23198 [REDACTED]
100-40441 [REDACTED]
100-30439 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-48478 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-29162 (GUS HALL)
62-1664 (HCUA)
100-61745 (WISP)
100-30398 [REDACTED] (SI)
97-16 (PEOPLE'S WORLD)

100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-30582 [REDACTED]
100-59295 (MAPA)
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"NOVEMBER 3, 1962

"ACTIVITY: MEETING of the EXECUTIVE BOARD, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT, COMMUNIST PARTY.

"DATE : SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1962. - 12 Noon-4:00pm.

"PLACE : 1733½ West 84th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.
(Home of DOROTHY HEALEY).

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"ATTENDANCE:

"DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman



Special Guest.

"At approx. 1:00 o'clock when the meeting was to begin the only people present at that time were DOROTHY HEALEY, [REDACTED] While waiting for the other members to arrive the following conversation took place.

"DOROTHY HEALEY was telling [REDACTED] that STATION KPFK had received an anonymous call a day previous to the KENNEDY announcement about the blockade of CUBA and STATION KPFK was told exactly what was going to take place, in essence, actually what President KENNEDY was going to say on the radio. The reason President KENNEDY was forced to blockade CUBA was because the PENTAGON HAD told President KENNEDY that unless he commenced to move on the CUBAN SITUATION the information and the photos which had been available to him for quite a period of time would be turned over to the GOP. DOROTHY HEALEY stated that the Station Manager had checked with the New York Station and the New York Station had received the exact call.

[REDACTED] related that when DOROTHY HEALEY goes up North to San Francisco a person, [REDACTED] (Phonetic. I did not hear the name. It sounded like [REDACTED] an FBI Agent would be in San Francisco, and a letter had been received from the East that it would be well for [REDACTED] to look out for him when she is in San Francisco.

"At approx. 1:15pm. [REDACTED] arrived.

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"At approx. 2:00pm [] arrived complaining about the heavy traffic alongside the Coliseum as a result of a football game which was taking place.

"At 2:20pm. [] arrived at the meeting.

"It was then decided that because of the lateness of the hour the YOUTH REPORT which [] was to give, and which he had written up, should be mimeographed or typed for the members of the Executive Board, and that the Board members would then read this YOUTH REPORT and make any remarks they had to make about it to the Staff members. This YOUTH REPORT was going to be given nearly three weeks ago but as a result of our tight schedule it was not possible to give it.

"DOROTHY HEALEY and [] then agreed that the YOUTH REPORT would be typewritten and a copy given to each one of the members of the Executive Board.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then distributed a REPORT by [] (EXTENDED NOTES of the REPORT of [] Sept. 28, 1962. EXHIBIT #1), which in essence, she indicated, was the general remarks which [] had made at the meeting she had attended in the East.

"DOROTHY HEALEY also stated she had talked to her Attorney, [] on the telephone and he had related that on WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1962, which is the date of DOROTHY HEALEY'S hearing at the Federal Building, not only was just one man coming out but the whole COMMITTEE was coming out for the hearing. (All members of the SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES CONTROL BOARD). DOROTHY joshed saying that possibly this was because it was very cold in Washington. DOROTHY stated that the hearing would possibly go on until THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, in the morning.

"DOROTHY then stated she would like to set the date of THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 8:00pm. for an EXECUTIVE BOARD meeting at the home of [] Place) to give a report on what was taking place in her case at that time.

"DOROTHY then stated that possibly the rest of the time of this meeting could be used to relate some general remarks about the CUBAN situation instead of having a regular meeting. Before going into this, DOROTHY HEALEY stated she would give a report on the Women's peace march, sponsored by

"WISP (Women's International Strike For Peace), held November 1st. DOROTHY said she was greatly disturbed over the poor showing at this peace march, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1st, 9:30 am, at the Plaza. She said the march was almost a complete failure; that where 15,000 women had turned out at the previous march there were only approximately 2000 at the Plaza. DOROTHY said it was the general feeling that there was some need for the PARTY to move on this question now and start to bolster this movement which is more or less falling apart.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then noted on a piece of paper the words, 'left center.' She stated that this would be necessary to be formed to give direction to this movement. Secondly, she wrote two other words, 'world congress' on a piece of paper. She said that the main object was to commence to have 'this' for the Women's Strike For Peace, and it would be necessary for us to commence to take a stronger hold of the reins of this organization to move it into that general directions. Otherwise, it is coming to a point where it is becoming ineffective. DOROTHY said she is quite disturbed, especially about the THURSDAY peace march which had very little impact. DOROTHY indicated that she checked with the women and there was some 'red baiting' by people going by and by remarks made to the women who were marching. DOROTHY said there would be further discussion on this question at a later meeting as soon as she was able to obtain more information.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then spoke a few general remarks on the CUBAN SITUATION. She stated that although President KENNEDY pushed the United States to the brink of war the American people basically were backing him. Certainly, it must be noted that when KHRUSHCHEV ordered the ships which were bound for CUBA to change course, and in announcing he would dismantle the bases in CUBA this was one of the major peace moves made by the SOVIET UNION, and must be indicated as such. Now, the very positive thing that came out of the CUBA SITUATION was the 'no invasion' policy by President KENNEDY. This must be considered a major advancement for peace and socialism because this was one of the threatening things hanging over CUBA, and now that President KENNEDY has indicated that there will be 'no invasion' of CUBA the incident which took place has made it worthwhile to the Cuban People. DOROTHY stated that the danger of a World War is not by all means subsiding. There are certain things which still have not been ironed out and certainly must be ironed out in the coming weeks, but what it has done it has indicated to the American people, No. 1: that there are United States bases in Turkey which are a threat to the lives of the SOVIET PEOPLE. Also, no longer can the United States enjoy a special place which cannot be

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"bombed by nuclear bombs, or that it cannot be reached by other forces of the world.

[] then stated that it has had some effect on the workers here. He stated that when [] and two other women went out to the auto plant where they usually distribute the PEOPLE'S WORLD there were four BIRCHERS sitting there and waiting to see which one of the workers took the PEOPLE'S WORLD, and if some of the workers took the PEOPLE'S WORLD their names were taken. So instead of distributing approx. 5000 papers which is the usual distribution at this plant's gate only 400 were distributed.

[] stated that one of the four BIRCHERS who was there kicked over the bundle of papers and one of the workers who was coming out of the plant objected to this action by the BIRCHER. This worker stood on the ground that the women had a right to distribute any paper they wanted. As a result of this a fist fight ensued. [] stated that the women then left the area where this took place, and they were quite skeptic of returning to this area to distribute the PEOPLE'S WORLD. This is one of the major things which has happened at the PEOPLE'S WORLD office because these women had been distributing the PEOPLE'S WORLD at this plant for quite a number of years.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then stated that she would be going up to the Northern part of the state in the coming week, after her hearings, and she would talk to [] re the question of the Editorial Policy of the PEOPLE'S WORLD. DOROTHY was a little dissatisfied with the way the PEOPLE'S WORLD had approached the CUBAN SITUATION.

[] then distributed copies of the EAST LOS ANGELES CITIZEN, which paper is included with this report. (EXHIBIT #2), in which the picture of RICHARD NIXON appears on the back page of the paper, and the MAPA MESSENGER appears on the inside of the paper. This paper is generally controlled by two PARTY people: PIERRE MANDEL and []

[] was quite upset that this thing could be done. He felt that NIXON had bought the newspaper, actually. [] said this should be looked into: the question of why NIXON was allowed to have the back page of the EAST LOS ANGELES CITIZEN

[] then gave a report on the EDWARD ROYBAL CAMPAIGN and its progress. Also, gave an analysis as to why the 'WOMEN STRIKE For PEACE' march had not taken hold in the minority communities. Actually, in this WOMEN STRIKE For

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"PEACE" march there were very few NEGRO and MEXICAN women involved. This is one of the weaknesses of the movement, and an analysis is to be made on the WOMEN STRIKE For peace. This must be one of the No. 1 things to look into.

"The meeting was then adjourned until THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8th 1962, 8:00pm. at the home of [REDACTED] Andrews Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

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"MATERIAL ENCLOSED:

- "EXHIBIT #1: REPORT: 'EXTENDED NOTES of the REPORT of GUS HALL - SEPT. 28, 1962.
- " #2: PUBLICATION: 'East LOS ANGELES CITIZEN, VOL. 33, NO. 2 NOVEMBER, 1962.
- " #3: CARD: 'ON NOV. 6 VOTE FOR ROYBAL and JIMENEZ And LEAVE THE REST of the BALLOT BLANK!' (And envelope showing return address: M A P A (MEXICAN-AMERICAN POLITICAL ACTION), 308 North Mott Street, East Los Angeles 33.)' (Postmarked: NOV. 4, 1962. (Received through the mail.)

"NOTE: Also submitted with this report were the two following publications which are filed in ALPHA. PUBLICATION FILE:

"MAGAZINE: NEW DAY, VOL. 1, No. 1, NOVEMBER, 1962, a MEXICAN-AMERICAN PUBLICATION.

"PUBLICATION: 'The JEMENONIAN'-VOL. 2, No. 2, (No date noted)- Published by the WEST JEFFERSON DEMOCRATIC CLUB, 1331 West Gardena Blvd., Gardena, California. (Issued as an ELECTION ISSUE)."

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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GOP Group Raps Birch 'Intrusion' in Affairs

Former President Charges 4 Leaders of Young Organization Are Rightist Members

BY RICHARD BERGHOLZ, Times Political Writer

A group seeking to revoke the charter of the Los Angeles County Young Republicans charged Wednesday that the right-wing John Birch Society has "intruded" in the affairs of the party organization.

Clifford Anderson, San Marino attorney and past president of the county YRs, told a news conference at the Ambassador that four of the current YR leaders are Birch members.

He identified them as Ron Garver of Los Angeles, now the regional YR vice president; Mary Odlin of Pasadena, county YR secretary; Craig Ihde of Culver City, membership chairman, and Mrs. Diane Kissam of San Marino, newly-elected secretary.

Garver told The Times he has been a Birch member since 1959. Mrs. Kissam said both she and Ihde have been Birch members for some time. Like Garver, she said YR leadership knew of the memberships.

Joined in 1959

Miss Odlin said she joined the society in 1959 but left it after about four months because she disagreed with some positions taken by Robert Welch of Belmont, Mass., founder and national leader of the society.

Anderson, 1961 YR President Phil Curran, George Ricci and William Brown jointly petitioned the state YR organization to file charges against the Los Angeles County group and hold hearings which might lead to revocation or suspension of the county unit's state-issued charter.

Lindberg of San Diego, general counsel for the state YRs. If he finds the petition valid, Ricci said, Lindberg then can recommend the statewide leadership name a trial board to conduct a hearing on the petition.

Ricci said he thinks the petition drive has an "excellent" chance and added that "responsible persons in the Republican Party leadership are supporting our move." But he said he would not identify them at this time.

Crozier decried the raising of the Birch membership issue and said "if these people want to attack the society, they should do it directly and not through the Young Republican movement."

Called Personal Matter

The newly-elected county YR president said he has never inquired about Birch membership among the group's leadership. "That's their own personal affair," he said.

Crozier said that Ricci is a "poor loser," that he's acting in a "childish way after he couldn't get elected president."

The petition alleges that the county YR organization, headed by President Robert Gaston for the past year, has failed to give unqualified support to Republican nominees — particularly Sen. Thomas Kuchel and gubernatorial candidate Richard Nixon—and has manipulated the chartering of YR clubs so as to deprive members of "reasonable representation" on the governing board.

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Los Angeles, Calif.

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Editor: Nick B. Williams

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The Birch Society far from defeated

Liberals who have been congratulating themselves on the defeat of the John Birch candidates in the recent election had better stop doing so.

The John Birch Society and its adherents are far from defeated. Better to say they have suffered only a temporary setback. You may be sure they are still in our midst and will be with us again in the next election.

In fact they don't intend to wait until the next congressional election but will have at least one candidate for the Los Angeles City Council in the First Councilmanic District being vacated by Everett Burkhalter.

Our information indicates one candidate requesting council appointment to Mr. Burkhalter's seat is a protege of defeated John Birch member Edgar W. Hiestand.

If this is not enough to frighten liberals it should be remembered that an alleged extra-curricular organization of police and firemen is suspected by many as being a sub-rosa branch of the John Birch Society and may be expected to use its influence in future elections.

No, the John Birch Society, with its neo-fascist tenets and methods is not dead. Liberals, middle-of-the-roaders and even regular conservatives should be on guard against a renewal of their extremist tactics. The liberties and freedoms of all of us are endangered by them.

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"THE SAN FERNANDO SUN,"
San Fernando, California

Second Section
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Editor: TED THOMAS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Los Angeles (100-)

DATE: 12-10-62

FROM : SA, [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS:

Members of John Birch Society Forcing

[REDACTED] Tustin, Calif. to

sell them Merchandise at wholesale.

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On 12-8-62

[REDACTED] the [REDACTED] Shops in Tustin Square, Tustin, California and at 2731 East Coast Highway, Corona del Mar, California (OR3-7930) advised by telephone [REDACTED] Owner of Garten's Department Store, Tustin Square, Tustin, California, had been forced by members of the John Birch Society, who are unknown to [REDACTED] but are known to [REDACTED] to sell them merchandise at wholesale under threat of exposing her for having Communist made merchandise in her shop. [REDACTED] said she secured this information by talking with [REDACTED]

It is suggested that no action be taken and that this memorandum be filed in the 100 file pertaining to the John Birch Society.

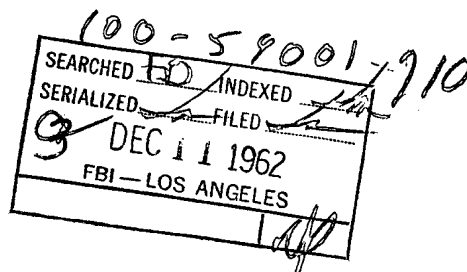
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Rousselot in Full-Time Job for Birchers

John H. Rousselot, defeated last month in his bid for re-election to Congress, has won a full-time job with the John Birch Society.

Society headquarters here said Rousselot has been appointed district governor for the six western states—California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Nevada and Idaho.

Rousselot is one of three avowed Birch Society members who failed to win election to Congress from California. His appointment to the paid position was made by Robert Welch, society founder and leader.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

II-2 Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, Calif.

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December 14, 1962

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-

SA [REDACTED]

WORLD STORES, INC.

[REDACTED] Owner-Victim

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This is to advise that on 12/14/62, [REDACTED] Inglewood Fire Department, furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] is the owner of the World Stores, Inc, 1117 W. Manchester, Inglewood, Calif. During the week of 12/10-14/62, [REDACTED] found numerous business size red cards, red in color, in boxes of merchandise containing goods imported from communist countries. World Stores, Inc. is a general store having goods ranging from clothing to hardware. Several of the items carried are manufactured in iron curtain countries and imported by jobbers from whom [REDACTED] buys. The cards state "Always buy your communist imports here at World Stores. Ask our manager to show you our communist imports. Send your money to communist countries." The back of these cards state "Every American Penny helps, you can help BANKRUPT American Industry. You can help deplete America's Gold Reserve. You can help STRENGTHEN COMMUNISMS GRIP on Captive Nations."

[REDACTED] that he had received a flood of calls from irate customers who berated him for stocking goods made in communist countries. These calls were made after the customer found one of the above cards in their box of merchandise. [REDACTED] called the police when a couple he suspected of having placed the cards in the boxes were noted by him to be loitering in the store. These people were identified as [REDACTED] Los Angeles, [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] indicated that this was the work of the John Birch Society.

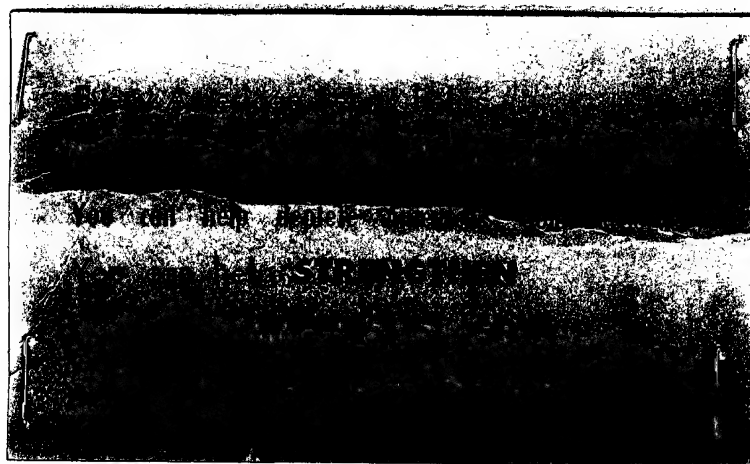
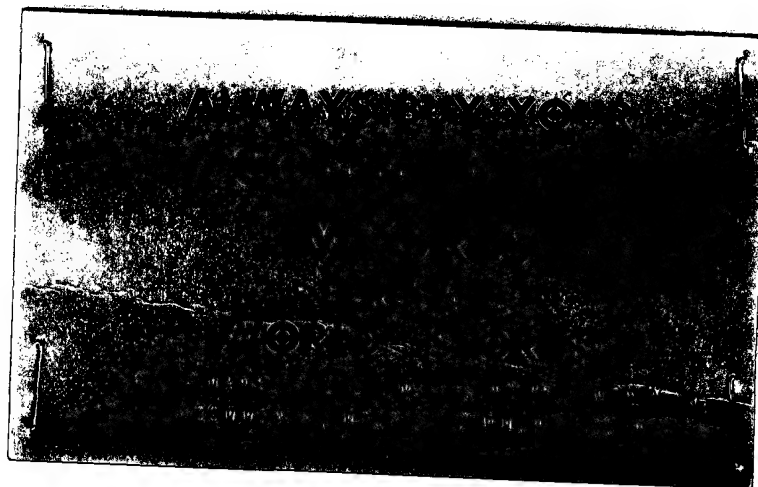
[REDACTED] was advised that no federal violation within the jurisdiction of the FBI was indicated and therefore no action could be taken by the FBI.

[REDACTED] furnished the writer two of the above described cards which are attached.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-63107) DATE: 12/26/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be concealed	11/30/62	12/5/62	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

ccs: [REDACTED] 100-19634 [REDACTED]
 100-4486 (DOROTHY HEALEY) (SI)
 100-25271 [REDACTED] (SI) 100-16304 [REDACTED]
 100-11811 [REDACTED]
 100-36981 [REDACTED] 100-40518 [REDACTED]
 100-30844 [REDACTED] 100-44910 [REDACTED]
 100-31131 [REDACTED] 100-22822 [REDACTED]
 100-34970 [REDACTED] 100-33876 [REDACTED]
 100-4663 (BEN DOBBS) (SI) 100-36990 [REDACTED]
 100-58882 [REDACTED] 100-36867 [REDACTED]
 100-58878 [REDACTED] 100-20299 [REDACTED]
 100-38117 [REDACTED] 100-34222 [REDACTED]
 100-39704 [REDACTED] 100-55890 (SANE)
 100-24384 [REDACTED] 100-61745 (WISP)
 100-26091 [REDACTED] 100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
 100-41421 [REDACTED] 100-36540 [REDACTED]
 100-34462 [REDACTED] 100-26423 [REDACTED]
 100-30439 [REDACTED]
 100-23660 (ROSE CHERNIN) (SI)
 100-21141 [REDACTED] 1 - NEW YORK (REGISTERED)
 100-38826 [REDACTED] (ELIZABETH GURLEY ELYNN)
 100-39463 [REDACTED] 100-59001-7P
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"12/1/62

"Date,
Nov 30, 1962

"Place,
Park Manor, 607 S. Western Ave.

"Time,
8-P.M. - 10-15 P.M.

"Feature,
Report on 'The McCarran Act and The Elections.'

"Speakers
The Elections - DOROTHY HEALEY,
The McCarran Act - ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

"Sponsor,
Hall-Davis Defense Committee.

"Chairman,
CHARLENE ALEXANDER (Negress)

"Attendance,
About 800, among those present were, CHARLENE ALEXANDER -
Chairman, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Guest Speaker,
DOROTHY HEALEY - speaker

"DORA ADLER,
ESTHER BECKER,
ETHEL BERTOLINI,
ANGELO BERTOLINI,
BESSIE BLUMEN,
BEN DOBBS,
MORRIS FASMAN,
FANNIE FASMAN,
MINNIE HECHT,
SAM KUSHNER,
MARION MILLER,
MAX MILLER,

FRANK PESTANA,
MINNIE SEIDEL,
EVE STERN,
BILL TAYLOR (Negro),
ROSE CHERNIN
EDDIE SINCLAIR,
ANNA SHIFFER,
HELEN COSTELLO,
Mrs. W. H. SHELDON,
VERA BACHMAN,
SADIE WANNOWSKY,
BETTY CHESLEY ROTTGER,

"KEN ROTTGER,	ARVILLA JACKSON,
Dr JAMES COLEMAN,	JIM FANTRIZZO,
JANE COLEMAN,	ANNA MANDELMAN,
SADIE DOROSHKIN,	IDA PASTERNIK,
ALICE DUDISH,	JOE PASTERNIK,
MAX HITTLEMAN,	ANN TROJAN,
JENNY HIRSCHFIELD,	SOL ZORFAS.

"DOROTHY HEALEY, spoke about the big victory 'the Democratic Party won in the election, which was our gain, as it helped us in many ways, and something unheard of to date, a Negro and a Mexican, were elected to office.'

"'The defeat of the John Birchers and some other right wingers helped, because now President KENNEDY's hands will not be tied down and he can do as he wants.'

"'The defeat of RICHARD NIXON, was another victory. He is out of politics now forever.' 'He is the author of the Mundt-Nixon Bill, which later became the McCarran Act.'

"She also defended the right to speak in colleges & universities, so that the students could think for themselves.

"ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, spoke on the McCarran Act, and Proposition 24, the most vicious of all. 'We worked hard to defeat this bill, the unity of the people, different organizations, including Sane & Wisp, who worked hard to help us, we defeated Prop. 24.'

"'When people work together we get results.'

"'We are now working hard to kill the McCarran Act.'

"'The F.B.I. paid LUISE MAY & her husband \$38,000, to testify against the communists and when they appeared before the hearing they could not identify anyone.'

"'We are accused of being and doing things which are not true.' 'We are not trying to overthrow the

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"government. We are not affiliated with any foreign power. No one can prove it, and we are going to fight for our rights.'

"'My passport was revoked. That was mine, I paid \$10. for it.'

"'We will appear in court Dec 11-62 in Washington, D.C., and they will have to prove that we are guilty of trying to overthrow the government.'"

ACTION

Index the name MARLON MILLER.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 11/28/62

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (SCDCP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	11/14/62 Meeting of SCDCP Section Organizers.	11/20/62	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant furnished the following written report:

cc: [REDACTED]

100-4486 (DOROTHY HEALEY) (SI)
100-23198 [REDACTED] (I)
100-24766 [REDACTED] (I)
100-1937 [REDACTED] (I)
100-33038 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-26497 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-53913 (PIERRE MANDEL) (SI)
100-4663 (BEN DOBBS) (SI)
100-23423 (POLITICAL ACTIVITY)
100-59295 (MEXICAN AMERICAN POLITICAL
COMMITTEE)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-63544 (CUBAN MATTERS)

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"Nov. 15, 1962

"A meeting of section organizers, C.P., SCD, was held on Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 8:00 P.M., at the Hungarian Hall, 1251 S. St. Andrews Pl., Los Angeles. The meeting was chaired by DOROTHY HEALEY.

"First point on the agenda was an announcement of a mass meeting to be held on Friday, Nov. 30th, 8 P.M., at the Park Manor, 6th & S. Western in L.A., sponsored by the HALL-DAVIS Defense Committee, with [redacted] and DOROTHY HEALEY as the main speakers.

[redacted] made an analysis of the election, nationally and in California, stressing the defeat of the ultra right in places like California, where three BIRCHITE candidates were defeated, and the defeat of men like [redacted] etc. He stated that the election of Republicans in states like Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Michigan were due to the high rate of unemployment and automation in these highly industrialized areas; and that the growth of Republican strength in the south is due to anti-desegregation white votes. He stated that the ultra right gained only in the Rocky Mountain area. [redacted] stated that two main factors motivated the voters to give their support to Democratic candidates in the main, these were: first, the problems of the economy and faith that the Democrats would do more about these and second, Cuba, in which he stated that since the Administration found a solution without war but with decisive action, the voters supported this policy rather than the 'war now' policy of [redacted] etc.

"On the question of the California elections, [redacted] stated that we have gathered the first fruits of the coalition which began to be built in 1958, and that the campaign was mostly a unified one. He stressed the improved composition of Congress and the state legislature as a result of the elections, and commented that 'red-baiting is 'done' as a political weapon' in California as a result of these elections.

[redacted] stated that the thing that turned the tide for the progressives in the California election was the effort by UNRUH at the California state central Democratic committee in Fresno some onths ago when he tried to interject the red issue, and it was turned down by the central

"committee of the Democrats. Further it was the tremendous mobilization campaign the Democrats put on to get out the vote in areas where victory was potential.

"Following [redacted] remarks, the floor was open for discussion, and [redacted] spoke on the high level of participation of comrades in his area; [redacted] stated participation was poor in the Valley; [redacted] outlined calls received by almost every member of the Party in the Santa Monica area during the Cuban crisis, which he blamed the FBI for; [redacted] discussed the results in the 7 Congressional and 10 Assembly districts in the Southern Coordinating Council; [redacted] reported on the formation of a COPE (Committee for Political Education) group in the Beverly Fairfax area; [redacted] stressed the importance of a unified Mexican-Negro coalition for the campaign to replace EDWARD ROYBAL in the L.A. City Council.

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"DOROTHY HEALEY spoke briefly to the effect that the election results indicated a defeat for the BIRCHERS, but not a rout. She also stated that the policy outlined by our Party some years ago is now paying off, as indicated in the fact that the roots of the victory of HAWKINS and ROYBAL was due to the work of the Committee for Minority Representation and MAPA (Mexican-American Political Association). She also said the key to the defeat of Proposition 24 was a technical one around the issue of 'due process', but was not to be demeaned for that fact. She commented on the election of RAFFERTY, and stated that while it was a defeat, this post is not one of great power, but the danger is that the BIRCHERS got a foot in the door of California politics by this result. She spent most of her time on the question of the future of the coalition, and stressed the importance of a continuing strong participation of labor in political activities in California. She also stressed the need to strengthen the CDC movement in the state, and urged all sections to select certain precincts to check in each election to determine trends in the voting populace.

"She outlined the next main activity in political field as the municipal elections, pointing out that all even numbered seats in the L.A. City Council will be up for votes and that also the seats of ROYBAL and BURKHALTER must be filled. She stressed the need to find minority candidates to compete in the election. She stated that the District Board is especially interested in the elections in the outlying areas this year and urged all section organizers to become fully informed on what is going on in their areas.

"The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

"Present were:

"DOROTHY HEALEY



PIERRE MANDEL

BEN DOBES (came to collect dues, etc. - left
before meeting began).

"On the way to the meeting, DOROTHY HEALEY stated that PIERRE MANDEL was looking for work, and is very unhappy because a committee from the Board met with him and criticized him severely for his attitude and manner of working with comrades. DOROTHY stated she had to 'hold PIERRE'S hand' ever since the meeting.

"DOROTHY also stated a new left peace center he built in the L.A. area, with the first planning meeting scheduled for Friday, Nov. 16th."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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COMMITTEE FOR MINORITY REPRESENTATION

Ernest Mandeville

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Birch Society Remains Far Out

You would think that their repudiation by the voters in the November election would have put the quietus on the John Birch Society.

But no.

Last week they held a big rally in Boston "for God and country" amid the strong protests of the local church groups.

They have opened many book stores throughout the country (several in this district) for the sale of "Americanist" literature.

In Boston they named the shop "Joe McCarthy Book Store."

Apparently the Birch Society is just as far out as it ever was.

They employed as manager of the "Joe McCarthy Book Store" one Speros Lagoulis.

Lagoulis is a close friend and financial supporter of George Lincoln Rockwell, head of the American Nazi Party.

Lagoulis also has a long prison record.

Last week's Boston rally featured the Rev. Billy James Har-

gis of the Christian Crusade and Ken and Phoebe Courtney, segregationist leaders from New Orleans.

Apparently this John Birch semi-secret organization is still getting enough financial support to underwrite these propaganda "book shops" across the country.

Although the Australian Fred C. Schwartz is not doing the business he was some months ago with his "Christian Anti-Communist Crusade," he is still able to report a gross of close to a million dollars for the past fiscal year.

There is "gold in them thar hills."

Many people in the U. S. A. would be very happy to gross a million dollars a year with no greater expenses than those of this Schwartz outfit.

The saddest part of the whole thing is that there are still so many gullible citizens who are swallowing the fatuities of Fred Schwartz and Robert Welch.

Apparently all these fanatical organizations have to do is to shout accusations against reputable American citizens—calling them subversives, "Reds," and lacking in patriotic fervor.

This lines the coffers of the agitators. There seem to be a sufficient number of paranoids who are so scared of losing their property that they fall for the line of the professional agitator whose trade mark is anti-communism.

Many simple minded folk are taken in by demagoguery—while the demagogues wax rich.

But, I suppose, as long as it pays we will have to suffer this propaganda of hate from the super-patriots, who are rot, in my opinion, patriots at all.

Their reactionary fascistic ideas are completely at variance with the ideals and principles upon which this nation was founded.

As long as a professional agitator can find suckers who are susceptible to his bait he will continue his profitable pitch regardless of the consequences to the country of which he is a citizen or the country in which he resides.

Father Divine also got a lot of money out of simple minded people who believed him to be super human.

As P. T. Barnum is alleged to have said, "There is a sucker born every minute."

Some of those who "con" the easy-mark sucker do not do too much harm. But when millions of dollars are raised by those professional agitators who would have us believe that the men and women around us of the highest intellect and sincere patriotism are subversives and "evil," it is not doing any good to say the least.

We are now celebrating the 171st anniversary of the Bill of Rights.

As Phil Kerby, editor of "Frontier" writes, "One would think that the Bill of Rights is so embedded in our tradition and law that the freedoms underwritten are beyond dispute. Not so.

"These freedoms have been under attack by the fearful and by the schemers throughout our history and never more so than in the years since the second world war.

"One of the great offenders, perhaps the chief offender, against the spirit as well as the letter of the Bill of Rights and the Constitution, is the House Committee on Un-American Activities, which Harry Truman, in one of his off-the-cuff shots, called the most un-American

thing in America.

"The committee is constantly working to uphold its unsavory reputation. . .

"The Catholic bishop of Pittsburgh calls the peculiar people who assert that they are the only loyal Americans and who impugn the patriotism of anyone who disagrees with them on foreign policy or civil liberties 'sick-in-the-head patriots.' "

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"THE SAN FERNANDO SUN,"
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Editor: Robert K. Straus
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Birch Society Young GOP Plot Charged

Charges that "professional" John Birch Society members are engaged in a conspiracy to seize control of Republican organizations in California exploded here today.

Harry J. Keaton, California Young Republican president, dropped the new bombshell into the raging intra-party conflict at a Statler-Hilton Hotel press conference.

The YR chieftain, in a prepared statement, charged the current target of the alleged power grab is the Young Republican organization, asserting:

"Evidence supporting this conclusion has steadily mounted for over a year. I felt constrained not to expose machinations of the Birch leadership until today because repercussions of such a disclosure were likely to hurt Republican campaign efforts last November and Tuesday's election in the First Congressional District."

CITES ROUSSELOT

Keaton, in one of the most bitter statements yet released in the Republican factional dispute, charged the Birch take-over plans gained new impetus a few weeks ago with the appointment of ex-Congressman John H. Rousselet as the paid, full-time governor of the Birch Society for California and five other Western states.

Keaton charged that "the paid staff of the Birch Society has engaged in a large scale organizing and infiltration effort throughout the state," adding.

"Birch coordinators enticed society members to join YR clubs and county organizations just before their elections to pack election meetings and gain control of these groups.

"The sincerely held conservative beliefs of many Young Republicans have been mercilessly exploited by bamboozling all those who oppose the Birch power grab as liberals, left-wingers and with epithets designed to arouse new, inexperienced members against the party regulars."

COOPERATION HURT

The youthful Hollywood attorney, his voice choked with emotion, charged he was unable as president of the California Young Republicans to secure "proper cooperation" even from his subordinate state officers.

He said he had asked John Clow, state YR treasurer and executive board member to supply him with membership figures, but Clow had told him he "didn't have time" to compile statistics.

"It shouldn't take the state treasurer, whose responsibility it is, more than two weeks to compile and make this information available to the corporation's president," Keaton asserted.

He accused the Birch Society alleged conspirators with misusing "the good name of Sen. Barry Goldwater" without his permission "by spreading the fable that all those opposing the Birch take-over are hostile to his (Goldwater's) potential candidate for President of the United States."

UPHOLDS AIMS

Keaton said that "no one quarreled with the announced Birch Society objectives of anti-communism and limited government," but added:

"Hundreds of fine young people have been attracted to the society by these goals, but it is a shabby spectacle to see these fine young men and women misled by the professional Birch staff to further its unannounced objective of capturing control of the Young Republicans."

Keaton charged that Robert Welch, whom he described as the "society's founder and dictator," is concerned only with power and that "he and the professional Birch staff care nothing about the future of the Young Republicans or the Republican party."

GASTON EXAMPLE

Tactics of the Birch Society staff, Keaton asserted, "were first employed in the election of Bob Gaston as Los Angeles County YR chairman," adding:

"Managed by Ron Garver, an admitted member

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HARRY J. KEATON
Hits 'Birch power grab'

of the John Birch Society, Gaston gained control in a phony war of labels.

"Gaston was elected by delegates representing less than 40 per cent of the Los Angeles YR membership. An attempt to extend control to the state level failed last February although Gaston led a completely subserviant delegation hand-picked in flagrant violation of the Los Angeles constitution."

Keaton charged Gaston and Garver will renew efforts to capture the state organization at its convention in Fresno Feb. 15-17.

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If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent: Date _____ Dictated _____ to _____ Transcribed _____ Authenticated by Informant _____		Date of Report 1/29/63 Date(s) of activity 1/28/63
Brief description of activity or material Meeting in Northridge, California featuring EMMEL MARVID, 1/28/63.		File where original is located if not attached

Remarks:

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and who desires that her identity be maintained in confidence, telephonically furnished the following information:

She advised that she and her husband attended an open meeting featuring EMMEL MARVID, which was held in the basement auditorium of the Alpha Beta Market, Nordhoff and Roscoe Boulevards, Northridge, California on the evening of January 28, 1963. She said that when she arrived at approximately 8:05 PM the meeting was already underway, and it appeared from what one of the hostesses said that the meeting had been going on for approximately 25 minutes.

MARVID devoted the bulk of her talk to information regarding how Congressman Conner was opposed in the recent Congressional election and how his local office is run.

MARVID said that in Conner's local office they maintain a file on all the Birchers (members of the John Birch Society) in the San Fernando Valley. She said this file contains complete background information and the records of all of these Birchers. She offered to make the file available to anyone who wished to look through it if they would only come to the office and make a request.

MARVID also said that there is a very important election coming up in the Spring, in that GEORGIAN HARDY is running for reelection on the L.A. Board of Education. MARVID said what a wonderful woman HARDY is; and added that in all probability she (MARVID) would run HARDY's campaign in the San Fernando Valley.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

DATE: 1/28/63

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FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL (LACSJMS)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] Former PSI, who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	1/11/63	1/16/63	Writer	[REDACTED]

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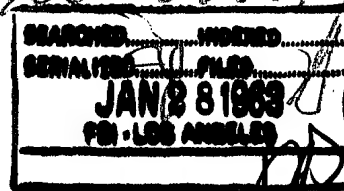
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100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
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62-1664 (HCUA)
100-61745 (WISP)
100-63544 (CUBAN MATTERS-MISC.)
100-41954 [REDACTED]
100-60136 [REDACTED]
100-33876 [REDACTED]
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"Los Angeles Calif.
January 13, 1963

"On 1/11/63 I attended a meeting at Park Manor
607 S. Western at 8: PM.

[redacted] were the speakers.
The meeting was for 'Justice for Soble'.

"A film was shown depicting the efforts that have
been made to gain the release of [redacted]

"The film showed pictures of his wife and mother
making appeals for him. Another scene was supposed to be a
tear-jerker it showed SOBLES 14 year old son answering the
question: 'What do you write your father about?' The boy
repeated lines, that he had obviously memorized, to the effect
he wrote to his father and ask him for help with his school work.

"Other scenes showed several other people including
Negro [redacted] defending SOBLES.

"At one point the narrator, [redacted] mentioned the
name of Senator JOSEPH McCARTHY, the crowd, in one loud voice,
booed! Senator McCARTHY's picture was not shown but immediately
after the 'boo' was given for the Senator either COHN's or
SCHINE's picture was shown I don't know which it was, any way
the crowd did not boo this man!

"After the film was shown LOU gave a short talk. He
boasted that he was the one who opened the attack on the Birch
Society (I think he said on the West Coast or in this area.)

"To the audience, [redacted] was a spell binder!
He had them laughing and applauding most of the time.

"At the last Peoples World Committee meeting I
promised to try to get a subscription so at this [redacted] meeting
I asked the woman who sat next to me if she would like to subscribe

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"to the Peoples World she asked, 'who publishes it?' I said 'Its a Communist publication. The lady well I'd rather not subscribe I don't know anything about this meeting. I'm just here because I love [redacted] he is so wonderful!' That seemed to be the attitude of all the women I talked to they just 'loovved' [redacted]

[redacted] said that SOBLE is a victim of a political climate of hate.

"He read what he said was a report from the LA Times about BILLY SOL ESTES preaching and telling everyone to be a good Christian at this the crowd just howled with laughter. JOE also read what he claimed was a news item published years ago in which AL CAPONE warned against subversion!

[redacted] said his mother was a member of the anti-Soloon League and his father joined the Lords Day Alliance. He was, of course, just poking fun at such groups, much to the amusement of the audience.

"He said something about Russia's 45 year old government having short-comings, 'But, he asked, ' what about our own failures after 200 years?'

"He went on to say in effect that after making a careful study of our economy for two years he came to the conclusion that if we stopped arming, making instruments of mass murder, for one hour our economy would collapse.

"He declared that no matter what Russia would ever do we wouldn't disarm.

[redacted] hailed CASTRO as being as great of hero to Cuba as GEORGE WASHINGTON was to America.

[redacted] bewailed the plight of the American Indian.

[redacted] spit fire at the HCUA. He said that the women peace marchers had more common sense in their finger nails than the whole HCUA has.

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"He said these women made fools out of the
H.C.U.A.

[] spieled on and said 'If we constantly threaten
CASTRO he has got to protect his little island.

[] made a crack about the dreadful myth of our free
enterprise and spoke of the cancerous condition of our body
politic.

"He said the HCUA believes in verdict first then a
trial secondly.

"He closed his talk by saying 'You have surrendered
your rights if you don't write a letter for SOBLE and if you
don't write a letter to []

"I sat up in front and didn't get to see all of the
crowd but I did see []
(she collected admissions) [] (she took up collections

[]
and I met [] for the first time she is in Ph. book and
she is a believer in General Holdridges Constitutional Pro-
visional Government. like the other women she exclaimed 'Oh, I
just looove []

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the
above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo
has been taken by the writer.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648) DATE: 1/28/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO
SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL (LAC SJMS)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	1/11/63	1/15/63	IC [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] (WK)

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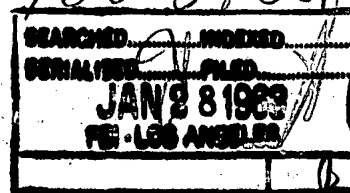
"ACTIVITY: FUND RAISING RALLY For MORTON SOBELL, SPONSORED
By The COMMITTEE To SECURE JUSTICE For MORTON SOBELL.

CC: [REDACTED]

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"DATE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1963 - 8:30-10:30pm.

"PLACE: PARK MANOR, 607 South Western Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

"ATTENDANCE: Approximately 400 people. Among those present and identified were the following:

"LEW IRWIN
MAX HITTLEMAN
ERNEST ALVAREZ
JOE DOLAN
DAVID (DAVE) ALXELROD 209 E. 25th St., L.A.
LIONEL ROLFE

"The rally began with the showing of a movie about MORTON SOBELL narrated by LEW IRWIN. The movie started with the arrest of MORTON SOBELL on conspiracy charges against the government. The movie covered his trial, sentence and imprisonment to the present time.

"LEW IRWIN spoke several minutes after the movie had been shown. He told of the countless 'prominent' Americans who are working for the release from prison of MORTON SOBELL. IRWIN stated that he has been out of work for over one year. He implied that his former employers had fired him because of his political beliefs. IRWIN referred to his 'report' on the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY. The unfavorable repercussions from this report were one of the causes leading to his dismissal, said IRWIN.

"After the collection was taken up JOE DOLAN took the podium.

"JOE DOLAN's speech then centered on the people regaining control of the U. S. Government. DOLAN used the MORTON SOBELL case as an example of the people not having control of the U. S. Government. The arrest, trial and conviction of SOBELL was the product of the McCARTHY hysteria that prevailed

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"in the late 40s and early 50s. If SOBELL were tried today he would not be convicted. DOLAN stated that even if MORTON SOBELL is guilty of conspiracy the U. S. Government has 'gained its pound of flesh' in the years SOBELL has been imprisoned.

"JOE DOLAN commented on the policies of the U. S. Government in general. Our present economy would come to a standstill if the forty billion wasted on the Cold War were stopped. According to DOLAN, the Cold War is a product of warmongering, super-profit seekers. They pressure the U. S. Government to continue the Cold War for their personal gains. The Russian people do not forget that the U. S. 'invaded' the Soviet Union in the early 20s. This is their reason for not trusting the U. S. Government.

"DOLAN told the audience that there is a wave of fear that covers the people today. This is a fear of being persecuted by witch-hunters, party hacks and investigating committees such as the HUAC. The people do not need someone to tell them what they can read or say. People today fear being labeled as subversive.

"In closing, JOE DOLAN urged everyone to write letters, sign petitions, and support in any way the release of MORTON SOBELL. He sarcastically said goodbye by blessing the audience with the sign of the cross and saying, 'Dominus Vobiscum.' DOLAN stated that the FBI is a 'stooge' for the administration.

"LITERATURE ENCLOSED:

"EXHIBIT #1 : PETITION: 'PETITION FOR JUSTICE' - with blank spaces for signatures. Addressed to: The COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS of the ECONOMIC And SOCIAL COUNCIL of the UNITED NATIONS. Issued by: PETITION For JUSTICE COMMITTEE, 209 E. 25th Street, Los Angeles 11, Calif. RI 8-1309. (Note: This is DAVID (DAVE) AXELROD's address). (Re: MUSLIM RIOT in L.A. April 27, 1962).

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"EXHIBIT #2 : PUBLICATION: (Handbill): Two-page handbill:
"GIVE A DAY OF YOUR LIFE" - Re CASE of
MORTON SOBELL. Issued and distributed by
The COMMITTEE To SECURE JUSTICE For MORTON
SOBELL, 940 Broadway, New York 10, N.Y. -
AL 4-9983."

ACTION:

All necessary action in connection with this memo
has been taken by the writer.

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LEW IRWIN

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Parties Agree; Drop \$ Million Birch Society Libel Suit

By consent of both parties, a \$1 million libel suit filed by private investigator N. Earl Freeman in the investigation of the John Birch Society in Orange County was formally dropped Wednesday in Superior Court.

The suit was filed after defendants Walter B. Chaffee and Donald H. Butka of Fullerton and Garden Grove News columnist Dixon Gayler sent letters to the Anaheim Bulletin and The Register, labeling as a 'hoax' Freeman's investigation of the Birch Society. The letters were not published.

Freeman gave the Birch Society a "clean bill of health" and charged that an "anti-Communist group" organized in the county to smear the Birchers was a greater menace by far.

Defense counsel Daniel Stack noted that there was no financial settlement with Freeman. "Under the terms of the withdrawal, he may not file again on three charges," Stack said.

Freeman's lawyer, Robert MacMahon, noted, however, that

whereas, the state law provides, the party which files a suit and later drops the same may be compelled to pay all court costs of both parties. In this case, MacMahon said, both sides agreed to pay their own court costs.

Referring to the hoax charges and other statements which allegedly questioned Freeman's integrity and capacity as an investigator, MacMahon had this to say: "I think that while a wide latitude of freedom is necessary in comment about political matters, one should be careful not to ruin a reputation of a sincere well-meaning person." MacMahon said that Freeman had dropped the suit partially because he left the area to find employment elsewhere.

Defense counsel Stack issued a three-page release on the dropping of the suit. The release stated that: 1-Freeman had admitted his investigation of the Birch Society was cursory. 2- That Freeman had claimed a manufacturer, Ramon V. Long, had ordered the investigation and, 3 That Long had never seen a copy of the investigation report.

MacMahon denied all three allegations.

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Rousselot Raps Hall in Birch Row

**CRA President Hit
as Hysterical by
Conservative Chief**

BY CARL GREENBERG
Times Political Writer

Former Rep. John Rousselot, western district governor of the John Birch Society, says Fred Hall, California Republican Assembly president, is "not only confused, but hysterical."

Hall, a former governor of Kansas, said Tuesday night that the Birch Society "is the closest thing we have to a Fascist type party in America." Wednesday, he declared his assertion had evoked "a tremendous response from leading Republicans through the state."

The Birch issue came into sharp focus last weekend when Robert Gaston, of La Canada, won election as president of the California Young Republicans. He had Rousselot's personal endorsement.

Aim at CRA Charged

Concurrently, Hall, whose successor will be elected at the volunteer CRA's convention this weekend at the Disneyland Hotel, blasted Birch members within CRA. He said they are aiming to win CRA control and voiced the opinion that Gaston's election meant Birch power over the state YRs.

Rousselot challenged Hall on virtually every point the ex-governor made in a Paul Coates television interview. These included Hall's contentions the Birch organization is a secret society and that Birch members with whom he has had dealings "have expressed anti-Semitic beliefs."

Rousselot said there is less anti-Semitism in the society than in other organizations, than in many other organizations and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith stated in 1961 the society was not anti-Semitic.

"We've asked only one-half of 1% of our entire membership to leave who were anti-Semitic or anti-Negro," said Rousselot.

"I know of at least three chapters that were disbanded and reorganized because there had been tendencies toward anti-Semitic discussions."

Hall, declared Rousselot, "tends to see two Birchers under every bed." He continued:

"Unfortunately, he wants to blame all the problems of the Republican Party on the Birch Society. For a man like Hall, who is a former law associate of Eugene Wyman (Democratic state chairman), it's amazing how many of their statements seem to coincide these days."

Meeting in Pasadena

Rousselot pointed out that the Birch society will hold a day-long public meeting Saturday in Pasadena Civic Auditorium, that its members have been working on this for three weeks, and therefore "it would be impossible for us to be in two places at once"—namely at the CRA convention and Pasadena.

Speakers at the seminar, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., will be Bob Montgomery, a Massachusetts lawyer and author; Dr. Revilo P. Oliver, associate editor of American Opinion and professor of classics at the University of Illinois; Dr. Slobodan M. Draskovich, an author and lawyer, and Tom Anderson, editor and publisher of Farm and Ranch Magazine.

Robert Love, a Kansas businessman and member of

the society's national council, will be master of ceremonies.

The claim of totalitarian tendencies made by Hall, Rousselot went on, is "absolutely false and he knows it." The society "shows far less attempt to dominate its members" than the "ruthless control" Hall has shown of CRA, Rousselot added.

Hall Accused

He accused Hall of turning down numerous applications for membership in three Los Angeles County units of the Assembly.

Rousselot said he's not a CRA member and isn't backing anyone to replace Hall, but that "I'd be interested in the truly constitutionally oriented candidate."

He stated that "obviously" most Birchers within both major parties support such candidates.

Meanwhile, former State Assemblyman Bruce Allen (Los Gatos), said "I'm available" for nomination to succeed Hall, but will run only if a substantial number of CRA members indicate they want him.

He declared he considers Birchers good Americans but would not want to embark on a candidacy limited to backing from them—"I am not a candidate for any faction."

Also reported as possible contenders are William Nelligan, a San Francisco unionist; Fred Nagle of Susanville, and Harry Waddell of Salinas.

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Birchers Hit by Fred Hall, GOP Leader

**Closest Thing to
Totalitarian Party
in U.S., He Says**

BY CARL GREENBERG
Times Political Writer

The John Birch Society is "probably the closest thing to a totalitarian party in this country" and "somewhere, somehow, they'll find a man on horseback," Fred Hall, president of the California Republican Assembly, charged Tuesday night.

Hall's strong attack on the Birchers was made in an interview for the Paul Coates television program.

The outgoing president of the volunteer GOP organization said later he has received reports that Birch Society organizers, including former Rep. John Rousselot, its western representative, are seeking to influence the election.

Anti-Semitism Noted

In the Coates interview, Hall, a former governor and Supreme Court justice of Kansas, asserted that he has found evidence of anti-Semitic and segregationist attitudes on the part of Birchers in the CRA.

He said the indications of such attitudes are evidenced in part in the subtle phrasing of resolutions that are presented for consideration.

Birchers, Hall added, engage in "disruptive tactics" and "intolerance." He reaffirmed that he considers the Birch Society "the closest thing we have to a Fascist type party in America."

"The first and best proof is to read the Blue Book, the bible of the Society, which expresses a totalitarian philosophy," he said.

Likened To Hitler

He accused the Birchers of "taking advantage of the American people," and, in response to Coates' questioning, likened them to the early days of Hitler, who made an anti-Communist pitch to businessmen for support, but with totalitarian motives.

"Their chief aim now is to get control of the Republican Party and get into legislative processes," said Hall. He credited the Birchers with

putting over the election last weekend of Robert Gaston as president of the California Young Republicans.

"I believe this group is conspiring to capture control of the Republican Party, and their philosophy is a totalitarian-type philosophy," Hall declared.

"They are a secret society. Their membership is not known. Their meetings are kept secret."

Hall said the election of Gaston will spur them on and that "I do not believe the Republican Party can survive this kind of thing."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 2/4/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

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(EDWARD R. ROYBALL)

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(NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO
ABOLISH THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES)
(JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
(FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH)

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"1/15/63

"Date: Jan. 16, 1963

"Place: Home of [REDACTED]

"Time: 1 PM - 2:30 P.M.

"Feature: Workshop meeting of the Women for Legislative Action.

"Afternoon Session - 1 PM - 2:30 PM.

"Topic: LEAH LONDON and GUSSIE SITKIN, report on the trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the opening of Congress to help FRANK WILKINSON in his fight to abolish the H.U.A.C.

"Speakers:

"LEAH LONDON President WLA

"GUSSIE SITKIN

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"Attendance:

"About 50, among those present were:

"ADELINE DONIN
LEAH LONDON
FAY AROND
TONI RATTNER
BERTHA JACOBY
GERTRUDE SPEIGEL
RAY CHESTER
MRS. W. H. SHELDON
MAY GOLDMAN
EVADNE MC CREA
HATTIE PASKIN
TINA TOMASH
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IDA STEIN
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SOPHIA BLACKMAN
ANN MENDELSON
JAN BRESSLAR
ROSE ROBYN
ANNETTE CIMRING
GUSSIE SITKIN
CLARA AUERBACH
ANNETTE MONBLATT
FRANCES MORSE

"Afternoon session:

"LEAH LONDON - Chairman

"LEAH LONDON reported on her trip to Washington

D.C.

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"LEAH LONDON said, 'We were met at the airport by FRANK WILKINSON, and he kept us busy.

"We were asked to leave a restaurant, where we were interviewing congressmen, because it was a private restaurant.

"We talked with many congressmen and most of them were in favor of having the HUAC transferred to the Rules Committee, with restrictions, this in a few years would result in abolition of the HUAC.

"We spent forty-five minutes talking with Congressman ALONZO BELL, and he was very pleasant.

"He was not in favor of abolishing the HUAC but would be amenable to transfer the HUAC to a subsidiary committee.

"He will compromise if the Rules Committee took over.

"We talked with JIMMY ROOSEVELT and he is in favor of transferring, the HUAC to the Rules Committee.

"Everything is pre-arranged, but JIMMY ROOSEVELT, insisted on being heard.

"There were 40 WISP members in the group, including DAGMAR WILSON, who spoke to Congressmen, urging them to vote to abolish the HUAC.

"We spoke to Congressman BROWN, who said, he was in favor of cutting the appropriation of HUAC, and that the BIRCH Society infiltrated into every group in the government.

"Congressman BURKHOLDER told us that he would be subject to influence.

"Congressman HAWKINS, told us that he would go along with HIMMY ROOSEVELT.

"Congressman ROYBALL, said at this time he would vote for the transfer of HUAC to the Rules Committee.

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"Congressman RYAN, said he would vote to abolish HUAC.

"Congressman CHIT HOLLFIELD, was against transferring the HUAC, to the Rules Committee, but would vote for the transfer.

"Congressman JAMES CANNOR, said he did not want to jeopardize his position, as he wanted to be re-elected, but he is against the transfer of HUAC, but will vote the way the others do.

"There were 7 out of 9 Congressman, wanted the HUAC abolished or transferred to the Rules Committee.

"FRANK WILKINSON will leave Washington, D.C. Saturday evening and will report on the trip at the Unitarian Church, Monday evening Jan. 21, 1963, at 8 P.M.

"PAULINE SCHINDLER (WLA) was subpoened by the JSC to appear on the investigation by the PACIFICA Foundation. They asked her a few evasive questions and she gave a few evasive answers."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-63159)

DATE: 2/5/63

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION UNLIMITED
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED]	1/18/63	1/21/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

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in the past
and whose
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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"Playhouse, 940 S. Figueroa, Los Angeles, January 18,
1963 Discussion Unlimited: Disarmament & U.S. Foreign Policy
PAUL BARAN, Stanford; EUGENE BURDICK, U. of Cal; H.N. ROSECRANCE,
UCLA

"Attendance: capacity

"Donation: \$1.00

"JOE BARBER introduced moderator JAMES PECK....

CC: [REDACTED]

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100-55955 (PACIFICA FOUNDATION)
105-13483 (PROFESSOR PAUL BARAN)
100-59609 (NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO
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"PECK: As a journalist on both the Los Angeles Mirror and L.A. Examiner I have learned only too well that dissent is being destroyed..and both of the papers I mention, are now out of existence...in fact, I wrote a column exposing the John Birch Society and it cost me the column....My two favorite medias are KFPK, a privately endowed FM station, which is now being hounded by a Senate Committee, and the N.Y. Times...incidentally, the West coast office is having great difficulty getting subscribers and advertisers...I am presently at the Beverly Hills Times, with BILL STOUT (?) ...I prefer to write about ideas but have found that its much safer to stick to facts..and so after much time and thought, we are presenting Discussion Unlimited as a means of hearing all points of view on vital, current issues...be sure to get your tickets for the next meeting on Feb. 22, that are now on sale in the foyer...

"Our first speaker is Dr. EUGENE BURDICK from University of Calif....political science professor & author ... (applause)

"BURDICK:

"If I seem to sound pascifistic it's because I am...(laughter)the most important goal today is total disarmament..(applause)..my book Fail-Safe has already been attacked...I obtained extensive information before writing it from the Pentagon, but they are now critical of my book revealing that planes went in for the attack in groups...how could I know that they are now actualit to go in single-file... I called the Penatagon to get more detailed information but they just said NO....it seems to me that we depend entirely too much these days on machines and automation...everything is being done by IEM...which is an advantage to banks and stores because they have fewer complaints...just blame it on the IEM...

"Very little appeared in the press about a U.S. bomber that was flying over our southern states, carrying the usual atom bomb load..the bomb of course isequipped with 5 fool-proof safety devices to prevent firing but what do you know, the bomb dropped anyway and when it was dug up later, 4 of the safety devices had been released...1 more and a lot

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"of problems in the south would have been ended...(laugh__

"The X-15 has never flown a single flight without some kind of mechanical failure, large or small....it seems to me that we are riding a big white horse and we'd better get off and do some serious thinking about securing peace by accomplishing disarmament...

"BARAN: (he seemed to be using snuff as he talked)

"The disarmament talks go on and on at Geneva, but it does seem more encouraging...the two Mr. K's are beginning to talk so much alike that you can't tell the difference but still Americans continue to think that the Soviets are some sort of monsters...they tell their people that we are rats, and our people say the same about Russians..But now I think that people are becoming more aware that KHRUSHCHEV is a human being just like us...both he and KENNEDY want peace and each wants to get disarmament...we simply must learn to get along together...and we should be more friendly to Cuba...something ought to be done about Formosa...I don't know what, but something..(applause)

"There are two possibilities for a peace economy...the first would be to have a sort of 5 year plan...to gradually cut down on defense plants..otherwise, we would have a depression worse than the 30's...lots of people would rather keep on working in a defense plant and forego disarmament if it meant not having a job...the other alternative would be to simply close down all defense plants and use the tremendous military dollars for welfare..to build schools, highways, hospitals and take care of the unemployment...It will not be an easy task because the big contracts are making fortunes for the big business tycoons and they aren't going to want to lose out...it seems to me that the U.S. is intransigent ...always pushing toward war..always building up more stockpiles and we already have so much hardware that it's frightening...do you realize that we now have 200 thousand times more power than that first atom blast at Nakasaki....the thing that bothers me the most is the delay in Geneva...the longer they delay, the bigger our stockpiles get and they're too big now. But

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"even more important, you can't fight an ideology with bombs... if the people want communism or socialism, and I'm not pushing either one...believe me, they will get it without any bombs..(applause)

"Since 1945 we've had nothing but security, security...security against attack...just because we have no radar facilities in our southern states, doesn't mean that we have moved any of the missile bases that completely surround the USSR....Russia only has about 25% as much military power as the U.S. and that's why they were so upset over the U-2 affair, because if their few bases were hit, they'd be reduced to zero...and as far as the inspection system of black boxes is concerned, it would be so very simple to back a truck over the box just before firing...very simple indeed.

"ROSECRANCE:

"Disarmament will be a most difficult thing to attain because of it's technical implications...the thing that concerns me the most is the fact that we might accomplish a test ban with Russia but there's still the threat of India using nuclear weapons, or Red China, or even the new African states...these are facts that we must study very carefully. People seem to feel that the Soviet is our only threat, but it just isn't true...there is so much talk constantly about how big our stockpiles are, how many devastating weapons we have, before the strike, but nothing is said about how many we will have after the strike & due to our policy of not striking first, it seems to me that we must not forget the potency of a first strike against us...can we retaliate? (the audience was obviously not pleased & it seemed that there might be trouble, as hisses started from throughout the aud.) Our one great hope will be rewarded if we can be patient, because disarmament is the only answer to peace.

"Questions & Answers--

"Q...I understand that when we have a peace treaty it will be necessary to have 30,000 men for inspection, costing 2 million dollars. Is it worth it?

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"A..BARAN: I've read that and it would seem incredible to have that many CIA men anyplace.

"BURDICK: The Soviet Intourist would welcome them, I'm sure.

"ROSECRANCE: The 30,000 inspectors would be placed all over the world, not just in Russia, or the U.S.

"Q...Do you think that the U.S. will help the new independent nations?

"A..Yes, that's what we are doing.

"Q...Wouldn't it help to make peaceful relations with Russia if the U.S. bought their ships and planes and we sold ours to them, and then we could use the money for welfare?

"A...BURDICK: I'd rather have our planes fly over Russia, open the bombays and drop nylons...they could fly over here and drop caviar & vodka...(applause)

"Q..What do you think will happen by this time next year?

"A..BARAN; I'm really not too optimistic...the U.S. is intransigent, so much so, that I really don't feel much encouraged looking ahead.

"BURDICK: I'm so pessimistic about the banning of nuclear weapons that, well, I'm just speechless.

"ROSECRANCE: I disagree with Dr. BARAN about the U.S. being intransigent...on the contrary, we have made considerable progress and I feel that we will see much progress from here on.

"Q...How did you happen to use the title Fail-Safe for your book?

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"A..BURDICK; because it proves my point to me, that we depend too much on mechanisms and in the book, the bomb device failed and all were safe...(applause)

"Q...Mr. ROSECRANCE: Are you against disarmament?

"A...I certainly am not..it is our one last hope for peace.

"JAMES BECK: The hour is late but I thank you one and all for coming..will you please fill out the green cards for our mailing list and be sure to indicate how you learned of this meeting as it's most important to us...see you Feb. 22 ... (applause)

"(Signed 'Abolish HUAC' petition, in foyer)"

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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The Bulletin

Editorial Page

Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1963

The Bulletin B5

The Birch Society Aim

Whether on the national, state, county or local scene, each time that a group of liberals find their intended programs exposed to the public, immediately they put for the cry that "This is the Result of the John Birch Society."

The John Birch Society was founded for the sole purpose of combating communism. A group of dedicated, alarmed individuals saw that the government was allowing the processes of propagandizing to alter the attitudes of the general public to accept a status of co-existence, tolerance and actual submission to Russia. They found that pro-communists had infiltrated the very top echelons of the federal government, mainly in the State Department, and that the actions and desires of the elected officials were not effective in controlling the policies of the nation.

Through the founding of the Birch Society information, plans, strategy, legislation and those persons responsible for the "take over" became known to the general public. Through the medium of information and education the great powerful middle class were made aware of the ultimate designs of this minority group. They found that under the guise of "socialism" the United States was being transformed into a dictatorial government dedicated to "one worldism" and "federalism" that would be dominated by Russian action in such organizations as The United Nations.

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"The Bulletin,"

Anaheim, California

Date: 2-12-63

Edition:

Author:

Editor: DONALD SHAFFER,

Title: Editor

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Through the Society these persons were informed as to effective action that they as individuals could take that would disrupt and destroy the takeover program. They became informed on the extent of the progress of the communism-socialism activities in all phases of life including the programs for churches, schools, city, county, state and federal government. The educational program has proven highly successful in combating the liberal socialist.

It is natural that the liberals would attempt to destroy their enemy and their one main recourse would be to smear, discredit and destroy the confidences the people were placing in the reports and actions of the John Birch Society.

The Birch Society has grown, its membership increases due to the authenticity of their reports and the continual proving of the intent of the liberal-socialist-communists. They have but one purpose, that of repulsing communist aggression within the Nation and this would include repulsing this danger in any phase or within any facet of life within the Nation.

Regardless of the smears and discrediting, no court or no investigation has found the John Birch Society established for any other reason.

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Subject's name and aliases		Address of subject		Character of case JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY	
Complainant		Complainant's address and telephone number Inglewood (We8-181)		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 2/22/63 Time 10:55pm	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age	Weight	Eyes	Complexion	
	Scars, marks or other data				
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Facts of complaint

[redacted] advised that she was calling both for herself and her associate [redacted] who heads the FAMILY SERVICE. [redacted] handles marriage counseling and possess a PHD from [redacted] and Doctor of Jurisprudence degree plus other degrees making him quite knowledgeable in this particular field. [redacted] has just been offered a position on the Juvenile Committee by Mr. Governor BROWN.

The problem lies in the fact that she and several other whom she did not desire to name have been the victim of telephone calls concerning [redacted] which are based on [redacted] appearance on the air and [redacted] radio and TV appearances wherein they preach the doctrine of equality and that hate or anti-semitism never solves any problem.

the above captioned person according to [redacted] is behind these calls wherein they are threatened with innuendo and that [redacted] better take out life insurance if he doesn't quit the Family Service etc. Complaint have been made previously concerning possible bugging of telephone lines and the LAPD has advised nothing can be done.

[redacted] was advised based on this info this did not fall within a criminal violation of this bureau. She advised that she had made recordings, not very good, of some of these calls. However she would like to talk to an agent concerning some other aspects which concern possible some foolish escapades of a government employee on a trip who is associated with her. She was requested to come into the office tactfully which she agreed to do sometime during the next week. She advised that she had also something in mind concerning her appointment to the Governor commission which she desired to discuss before accepting the position on the JEVNILE COMMITTEE from Gov. BROWN

She is aware there are no apparent criminal violation existing at this time.

Action Recommended	NOTIFY RECEPTION ROOM and HAVE AGENT HANDLE THIS INTERVIEW who is familiar with individuals in JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY. W J NOLAN (Agent)	SEARCHED SERIALIZED
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TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date

Subject

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Birthplace

Race

Sex

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☐ Female

☐ Exact Spelling

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☐ All References

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? - Not identifiable

NI - Not identical

U - Unavailable reference

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	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Birth date and Birthplace				
	Scars, marks or other data				
Facts of complaint <div></div> <i>called & desired to speak with S.A. W. J. Nolan. - She stated she had just received another call and the caller told her that two had been taken care of and inferred that she would be taken care of also. She wanted to know what one could do to as her professional reputation was being damaged.</i>					
Action Recommended <div></div> <div></div> (Agent)					

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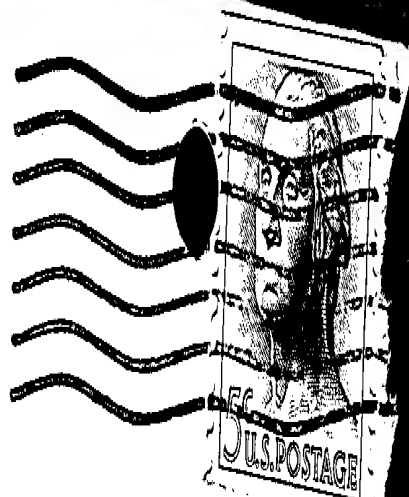
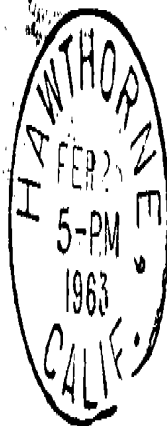
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Bureau of F.B.I.

Dear Sir

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Please send me information
about John Birchers as I have
become quite concerned over this
group, they say they are for
our freedom and yet they
conceal books, come in power to
meetings with nothing else in
mind but to disrupt.

Who is Robert Welch and

[Redacted]

also John M.

Rousselot, what are these people's
background, I must know.

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the facts on this society

please send me any or all
information you have

Thank you very much

[REDACTED]

Lawrence Cole

[REDACTED]

116-25631 *

1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California

February 28, 1963

[Redacted]
Lawndale, California

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your letter of recent date addressed to our office in Long Beach, California.

Although I would like very much to be able to assist you, I must advise the Federal Bureau of Investigation is strictly an investigative agency and information in our files is confidential and available for official use only. Furthermore, the Federal Bureau of Investigation makes no evaluations or recommendations concerning the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. You should not interpret our inability to furnish any comment as implying that we do or do not have information in our files concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

W. G. Simon

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC 100-59001

DATE: 3/4/63

FROM : [REDACTED] SA

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SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

[REDACTED] Newport Beach, Calif.. Telephone [REDACTED]
telephonically advised on 3/4/63 that she is a partner in the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] North Hollywood, Calif. Her partner is [REDACTED] has
been active in the JOHN BIRCH and is very anti Communist. He worked in EDGAR HIESTANDS
office during the time HIESTAND was running for office in the most recent election.

[REDACTED] said she gets her mail once a month. She got her mail
today. In the mail was a postcard addressed to the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] North Hollywood. It is postmarked 2/25/63 at Van Nuys, Calif. and
bears the return address [REDACTED] Van Nuys. The card reads as follows:

"FEBRUARY 9, 1963
"AUTOMATION
"MAN OR MACHINE
"IF YOU DO NOT AUTOMATICALLY
"COOPERATE WITH
CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC CHIEF EUGENE WYMAN
"YOU'RE
"LIBEL, TO END UP IN A BOX
"JUST LIKE ME
"VERY VERY WORRIED, [REDACTED]

foregoing submitted for record purposes.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles, Calif.

Gentlemen:

My husband and myself are most anxious to know what your office thinks of the John Birch Society--We know of a few people that have recently joined and we feel if it has a good clean bill of health we would also like to. We have been confused by the Presidents remarks against them, T.V. programs and newspapers and yet the people that we know in it are very patriotic people.

We would certainly appreciate hearing from you on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

1340 West Sixth

Los Angeles, Calif.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)

DATE: 3/6/63

FROM : SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

At 3:45 PM, 3/5/63, [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] telephonically contacted this office requesting information concerning captioned organization. He was tactfully advised of the confidential nature of FBI files and that the FBI is strictly a fact-finding organization and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions concerning any organization, publication or individual.

He stated he has a Secret clearance and has been pestered by an individual soliciting his, [REDACTED] membership in the John Birch Society. [REDACTED] stated he is not in sympathy with the John Birch Society and wanted the FBI to know this in view of his clearance.

He was advised that his call would be made a matter of record in the files of this office.

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1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California
March 5, 1963

[Redacted]
Studio City, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Your letter dated March 2, 1963, has been received, and I appreciate the thoughts which prompted you to write as you did.

Although I would like to be of assistance in connection with your request for information, I wish to advise that it has been a long-standing policy of this Bureau to hold its files confidential and available for official use only.

I am sure you will understand the reason for this rule. No inference, of course, should be drawn that we do, or do not, have the desired data in our files because of my inability to be of assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Birch Society Asks Foreign Policy Quiz

Editor, The News:

The following resolution was passed by the National Council of the John Birch Society on Dec. 8, 1962, on the fourth anniversary of the founding of the society. I urge you to publish this as a pub-

lic service in the field of education.

"Whereas the President has promised apparently unverifiable conditions to guarantee the immunity of the Commu-

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nist government of Cuba from invasion, the result being that the peril from Communist Cuba is greater now than it was four months ago, and

"Whereas it is reported that our government is now sending weapons to the Congo to force Katanga Province into an unconditional consolidation with the Communist-supported central government of that country, and

"Whereas we are sending weapons and ammunition to India for use against the Red Chinese who are invading that neutral country while we

continue to forbid Chiang Kai-shek to invade the Red Chinese mainland with the army that he has trained and equipped for that purpose with funds furnished by the United States government, and

"Whereas the continued execution of these contradictory and self-defeating projects violates common sense and undermines the defenses of this country,

"Now therefore be it resolved that the new Congress should, as its first order of business, direct a complete investigation of the foreign policy of the United States vis-a-vis communism and proceed to impeach those American officials who are found responsible for these inconsistent and dangerous policies that are bringing our country to ruin."

GRANT M. OLEWILER Jr.
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He says it's 'very sizable'

By MARTIN SALDITCH
Daily Enterprise Staff Writer

The growth of the John Birch Society in Riverside County was described yesterday as "very sizable" by a former chapter leader and organizer.

John C. Pearce, Arlington attorney who joined the organization in 1961, said he helped organize "15 to 20 clubs" in the county before discontinuing such activity a year ago.

In an interview, the 52-year-old former Army intelligence agent refused to divulge the current total of Birch chapters and members in the county or identify other members.

HOWEVER, Pearce said Birch chapters usually have from 15 to 30 members each, indicating at least several hundred members in the county, as of a year ago.

Only three Birch chapters from the county were listed last April among sponsors of a Los Angeles newspaper, advertising the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

They were identified as Riverside Chapters 929 and 995, and San Jacinto Chapter QATO.

PEARCE said the three clubs listed should not be taken as a guide to the total number of chapters then existing or since formed in Riverside County.

"Those three were the only ones sponsoring the ad," said the attorney. "But there are many others in operation."

Pearce agreed to discuss the organization with this reporter in advance of a March 20 speech to the Riverside Junior Chamber of Commerce on the subject: "What Is the John Birch Society?"

COINCIDENT with the scheduled speech by the local Birch spokesman, copies of the American Opinion, a monthly magazine published by Birch President Robert Welch, were placed on sale in a Magnolia avenue drugstore.

And an advertisement recently appeared in the Arlington Times in a move to recruit more Birch members.

Pearce said he knew who placed the newspaper ad, but denied any knowledge of the magazine sale. He pointed out the monthly Birch Society Bulletin is the official publication of the organization.

FRANK WRIGHT, one of the owners of the Brewster Drug Store at 6052 Magnolia, said he placed the magazine on sale last month "in order to give people another viewpoint." He denied membership in the Birch Society.

The magazine distributor, Lawrence T. Dugan of Newport Beach, said he was a Birch member who circulated the publication in his spare time.

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the publication in his spare time.

"My regular business is renting utility trailers," Dugan said. "The Brewster store is the only one I'm supplying with the magazine in Riverside County. They take 10 copies a month."

Recent issues of American Opinion have carried critical articles on columnist Walter Lippman, the late Eleanor Roosevelt, and retired Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter.

PEARCE, the only publicly known local Bircher, dismissed as "a hoax of the first order" charges that the society is fascist, dictatorial, or secret.

He said chapters meet once or twice a month in private homes to discuss national issues, do not take group positions or try to infiltrate or control other organizations.

"This is an educational organization," Pearce said, "in which we learn of particular problems. We act as individuals in communicating our views to legislators and others."

Pearce termed the society "closed" rather than "secret," although the membership and meetings are not disclosed to non-members.

"WE ARE no more secret than the Masonic Lodge or Knights of Pythias," he declared. "We have to protect ourselves from being chewed up by our enemies."

Noting that the Birch Society holds public meetings in Orange County, Pearce said: "In areas where it is felt they are given fair treatment by the press, the chapter meetings are open to the public."

He said the rapid growth of Birch clubs in Riverside County has taken place since 1961, when he helped organize one of the first in the city.

PEARCE, a member of the Army Counter Intelligence Corps during World War II, said a friend in Los Angeles briefed him on the Birch Society two years ago, and he became a member by writing to the national headquarters in Belmont, Mass.

There were no chapters existing then in the city of Riverside, Pearce said, and he helped form one and served as "group leader" for a year.

"I was instrumental in setting up a number of Riverside County chapters," he added, before discontinuing such activities last year due to press of business.

PEARCE at first refused to disclose the number of Birch chapters he helped form, but later gave the "15 to 20" estimate. He declined to state where they were located.

"The movement has grown very sizably in Riverside County during the past two years," the attorney said.

"I attribute it to the fact that when people investigate the society, and come in contact with our members and leaders, they find this is a good, sound program for finding answers to the national problems of individual concern."

Pearce said meetings are conducted in informal fashion, with one member giving a report on a particular problem, followed by a general discussion.

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"AS I SEE it," he said, "the basic problem is the apathy of the American people that is encouraged and engendered by dishonest politicians, opportunists, do-gooders, welfare staters, socialists, Communist sympathizers and agents, and the Communists themselves."

Pearce denied a report by State Attorney General Stanley Mosk, who said in 1961: "The cadre of the John Birch Society seems to be formed primarily of wealthy businessmen, retired military officers and little old ladies in tennis shoes."

The attorney said the local membership represents "a good cross - section of the public, and their average age is about 35 years."

REGARDING charges that the Birch Society is prejudiced against minority groups or a conspiracy:

"We are interested in good, American citizens who have none of these prejudices against any minorities," he said. "We want to make

changes in the good, American way.

"People may have joined the Birch Society with such prejudices. We see those people out in a hurry. We have Negro chapters, and many Jewish members."

Robert Welch, a retired Boston candy manufacturer, founded the Birch Society in 1958 for the avowed purpose of fighting communism, naming it for a young American missionary executed by the Chinese Communists, shortly after World War II.

The society has been described by critics as a secret organization dedicated as much to extreme right-wing causes as to opposing communism.

IN HIS writings, Welch has said the movement should use some of the Communists' tactics to fight communism.

Welch has called former President Dwight Eisenhower "a dedicated conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy," and has called for the impeachment of Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren.

The society in recent weeks has been charged with trying to take over the state Young Republicans and GOP Assembly. Robert Gaston was elected president of the YRs last month with Birch support, but a moderate took command of the Assembly.

Gov. Brown last week accused the Birch Society of leading a drive to oust Thomas W. Braden, current president of the state board of education, who requires Senate confirmation for a second four-year term.

PEARCE said anyone interested in joining the society can write the national headquarters, "and the application only calls for a name and address."

If a member then wants to affiliate with a local chapter, he so states and is contacted by a local official, Pearce added.

"We check of course to see if he is a good citizen," the attorney added, "but there is no comprehensive investigation." Dues are \$24 a year.

"We have Democrats and Republicans, and probably a few Communists," he remarked. "Most all are good American citizens, including farmers, businessmen and laborers."

A native of Los Gatos, Pearce has been a resident of Riverside since 1951. He taught law at Mexico City College and Latin American economics at Boston University after Army service on the West Coast and Europe.

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The Riverside Junior Chamber of Commerce will be given an "inside look" at the John Birch Society in a talk by John C. Pearce, a local member, at a dinner meeting March 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chateau Restaurant.

PEARCE, Arlington attorney who has served as a Birch chapter leader, will discuss: "What is the John Birch Society?"

He will also "answer any and all questions about the organization," according to an announcement in the

Jay Seer, the Jaycee publication.

Pearce, 51, of 4038 Sequoia, is the only local Birch member who has publicly proclaimed his affiliation with the group.

THE BIRCH Society was charged recently with trying to take control of the State Young Republicans and Republican Assembly.

Pearce's talk will be one of the few instances locally when the society has scheduled a public speech on its objectives and operations.

The organization here has generally operated out of the limelight, in contrast to many

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other California counties where many of its members are known, and where it holds public meetings.

PEARCE SAID yesterday that one reason for this has been that the society felt that it would not get fair coverage in the newspaper here.

First public indication that there were any chapters of the organization here came several months ago when the organization published a full-page ad in a Los Angeles newspaper. The article contained a long list of chapters, including two in Riverside and one in San Jacinto.

During World War II,

Pearce was a member of the Army Counter-Intelligence Corps, based on the West Coast, during which time, said Pearce, he investigated "Communists and Fascists."

LARRY WHITE, Jaycees vice president, said the meeting is open to guests between the ages of 21 and 35 who are interested in joining the organization. Dinner tickets are \$2.50 each.

White emphasized the appearance of Pearce constitutes no endorsement of the Birch Society and is merely part of the education program of the Jaycees.

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Plans are already made to take them from you. There are millions of slaves behind the Iron Curtain who have lost their freedom. If allowed to speak, they would tell from bitter experience that no sacrifice is too great to make to preserve your freedom.

Do you feel the Cuban affair brought victory or honor to us?

Are you happy about our support of the U.N. in what it has done to Katanga?

Do you believe that a regime which uses threats and coercion against industry will not eventually use those same tactics on your local government, your church, your union, or on you as an individual if you stand in the way of accomplishment of its aims?

If you are not satisfied with the course our country is following, why not join us in the fight to preserve our Republic?

For more information write The John Birch Society, Box B, Arlington Times, 9817 Magnolia Ave., Arlington, Calif.
Personal contact made only on request.

— Adv.

This advertisement appeared recently in the Arlington Times, a weekly newspaper published in Riverside.



JOHN C. PEARCE

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Not Birchers ^{3/2/63}

Editor, The Star-Free Press:

Herewith a letter I have sent to Gov. Brown regarding his appointment of Thomas Braden to the Board of Education:

I have just read an Associated Press news dispatch datelined Sacramento, Feb. 26, in which you defend Thomas Braden. You are quoted in part as follows: "I think these attacks on Braden are part of the Birchers program in the state of California. This is typical of the way they work."

This intended slur on your part would be amusing as are so many of your malaprops except for several points. Does membership in the John Birch Society deprive a citizen of his right to express himself? If anyone disagrees with you in the future, will your stock answer include the statement that "It's probably the work of the John Birch Society"? In defending Mr. Braden so vehemently, are you proposing a new policy in which your appointments take precedence over elected officials, in this case Dr. Max Rafferty?

It is a fact that Dr. Rafferty was elected to the position of the state superintendent of schools by a 250,000 vote majority. John Rousselot has stated that the John Birch Society numbers less than 100,000 members throughout the United States. For those who can add and subtract, it is self evident that a large number of honestly concerned citizens, not at all associated with the John Birch Society, voted for Dr. Rafferty. It is quite logical that they would continue their support when almost daily news dispatches reveal the obstructionist tactics Mr. Braden has used in attempting to frustrate Dr. Rafferty's policies. This spontaneous outpouring cannot be derived or debunked by conjuring up the liberal demon of "The John Birch Society."

Stanley Mosk once threatened to investigate the Birch Society and when the leaders promptly presented themselves for questioning, he immediately withdrew the suggestion. He did, however, later publish a 12-page, undocumented "opinion" full of innuendoes, half truths, and hearsay. Maybe you have in mind this time a real investigation when you suggest he "look into" the present letter writing.

The current "campaign" as you call it is a display of indignation on the part of parents in California. We expect the Senate to translate our desires and deny Mr. Braden's reappointment.

WILLIAM F. WALSH, M.D.
P.O. Box 248,
Camarillo

Birch Society ^{3/1/63}
Slates Meetings

The ultra-conservative John Birch Society is recruiting members in Ventura County.

Two invitational meetings will be held March 25 and April 19 in the Oxnard Community Center, Dr. William Walsh, Camarillo physician, said today.

Dr. Walsh who identified himself as a Birch Society member said he expects about 150 persons to show up for the meetings which will include showings of a film in which society founder Robert Welch tells of the group's aims. A paid organizer will conduct the meetings, he said.

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Birch Book: 'The Politician' on Sale

First published edition of one of the most controversial manuscripts of recent years went on sale today. It accuses former President Dwight Eisenhower and other top officials of being dupes of communism.

Robert Welch, founder and head of the John Birch Society, announced that his heretofore private manuscript, 'The Politician', is being released for general sale. Welch said the 448-page book will sell at \$8 per copy, but he has offered first editions at \$5 per copy to John Birch Society national council members and other friends, asserting:

"It is being published, however, primarily for the benefit of friends who have been bitterly criticized over contents of the original manuscript, even though those friends had no responsibility for it and most of them had never even read it."

In his letter to national council members and other friends here, Welch did not indicate whether the controversial publication will be available at bookstores or whether its sale will be restricted to mail orders.

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Rousselot Answers Questions On John Birch Society

Editor's Note: The John Birch Society (JBS) has been open to fresh attacks by state officials and other individuals since the Young Republican and California Republican Assembly elections. On a recent trip to Santa Ana, John H. Rousselot gave this exclusive interview to The Register. The former Congressman is now the district governor of the JBS for six western states.

By **AL BASSETT**
Register Staff Writer

The following is a summary of the questions and answers between this reporter and John H. Rousselot.

Q — The John Birch Society has been termed extremist, do you think it is so?

A — No, the John Birch Society (JBS) is not extremist. The term is designed by those people who want to label others with whom they disagree disparagingly. Pro-constitutional groups are charged by the Americans for Democratic Action (ADA), and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and other collectivist minded groups as being extremist.

Q — Is JBS support a liability to a candidate?

A — With regard to the past elections, it was not a liability to any candidate but the gerrymandering of the districts by the Democrats influenced the election.

Q — Was JBS membership a disadvantage to you in the 1962 election?

A — No, it helped in the election. It provided a maximum amount of workers in the precincts that you normally cannot find in an election.

Q — Does the JBS encourage membership to assume positions of leadership in civic groups such as school groups, school boards, political parties, conservative organizations?

A — The JBS wants its members to participate actively in all civic groups, it does not say that they work to take over the group. If a member takes it on his own to become a group leader, it is on his own initiative and not a goal of the society.

Q — Does the JBS foster any organizations with specific purposes? Such as warning of communist goods? Getting out of the U.N.? Investigating the State Department?

A — The society works with groups already established for a specific goal. It does not organize a particular group for any cause. You will find JBS members in these groups for they desire to take an active interest in current problems and situations, but we do not organize them in the beginning. Members of the JBS are in such groups, but all the groups' members are not in the JBS.

Q — Is there a concentrated drive to "take over" the Republican Party in California?

A — No there is not a drive to "take over" the Republican Party anywhere. We encourage our members to become active in all groups. This does not mean to take over any group.

Q — Are there 10,000 members of the JBS in California?

A — People have guessed at our total membership, they all guess different numbers. We desire to keep our membership from being disclosed just as ADA, NAACP and many other groups,

such as some service clubs. This does not submit the members to harassment that would follow any group that opened its records up for all to see.

Q — Would you estimate the percentage break-down of political parties of the JBS in California?

A — A rough estimate would be that 30 per cent are Democrats and the balance are Republicans and others.

Q — When was the first JBS formed in Orange County?

A — The first JBS in Orange County was in 1959.

Q — Is this county a stronghold for the JBS?

A — There is a very active group in Orange County, with its total members and the number of chapters.

Q — What is the percentage of growth of the JBS here?

A — The society has doubled in the last year and a half.

Q — What brings about any great growth in the society?

A — When persons make accusations about the society that are as inaccurate as the ones Stanley Mosk usually makes. There is usually growth when individuals search for the facts.

Q — How does the JBS reconcile its goal of "less government" with the effort to build and retain a strong military establishment to fight communism?

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A — If the government would follow the recommendations of the Hoover Reports, it would do away with unnecessary governmental bureaucracy. We have never stated a belief to do away with government. We intend to do away with unnecessary bureaucracy.

Q — How could the United States invade Cuba without spending tax money?

A — We have never said that we would not spend tax money. There are presently 32 taxes imposed on Americans and industry. Income tax is not the only source of taxes.

Q — Is the JBS against foreign aid? Or no aid to communist countries?

A — Under the present concept, I am against all foreign aid. Foreign aid is presently nothing more than an overseas branch of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Q — Do you see any appreciable

trend in 1962 congressional and state elections in California?

A — The Democrats had the advantage in the forming of new districts. Actually, the percent of the Democratic vote in 1962 was less than in 1960, for Gov. Brown, right down the line.

Q — Did the JBS support Max Rafferty in the 1962 elections?

A — The JBS had a lot of members who worked for Mr. Rafferty. The JBS does not sponsor or endorse any candidate. We strive for constitutional oriented candidates.

Q — Do you support James B. Utt?

A — We support Mr. Utt. But we do not endorse him or any other candidate. No member of the society is told how to vote in

any way on candidates or resolutions, etc.

Q — Do you feel the Young Republican election reflects a true growth of conservatism among the younger people?

A — More and more students are working for stronger conservative measures. Less government controls and more individual responsibility. They are swinging away from the maximum security offered by government.

Rousselot said he was an active member in the YRs in past years. He has reduced his work in the group since he was elected to Congress. He said he looks for the youth of today and tomorrow to win the long fought battle for the conservatives.

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According to **[redacted]** informant, this book is highly critical of EISENHOWER and will probably result in a civil suit for damages being filed against ROBERT WELCH by the former President.

The book, when printed, will be sold to members of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY at the reduced rate of \$5.00 per copy and sold to the general public for \$8.00 per copy. Source indicated this reduced rate may be used as an inducement to recruit additional members into the JBS.

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Birch Society Has New Office

The John Birch Society opened new headquarters Friday in San Marino.

Ex-Congressman John H. Rousselot, the society's district governor in the six western states, declared:

"We're at 2566 Mission St. and our phone number is SYcamore 9-0876."

The new headquarters, which will operate with a staff of nine, will serve California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Nevada and Idaho.

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"On Saturday morning February 9, 1963 a meeting was held of the District Committee of the Communist Party of Southern California. This meeting was held at the Hungarian American Cultural Center, 1251 So St. Andrews Street in Los Angeles. The meeting was chaired by DOROTHY HEALEY, the Chairman of the Communist Party of Southern California.

"Present were the following delegates to the District Committee:

"SARAH DORNER
SARAH GILBERT
SOPHIE SILVER
FANNIE GOLOS
FRANK BELYEA
DON MATSUDO
ABRAHAM MAYMUDES
RALPH from Santa Monica
EMIL FREED
BILL TAYLOR
BEN DOBBS
FLORENCE HALL
NEMMY SPARKS
ROSE CHERNIN
HARRIET BLAIR
SOL MONROY
DANNY BESSIE
PAUL ROSENSTEIN
GEORGE WILLETT
CHARLENE ALEXANDER

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"PIERRE MANDEL
CAL GOODMAN
ANITA ROSTADHA

"At the beginning of the meeting DOROTHY HEALEY pointed out that on Sunday, February 24, a meeting would be held at 7:00 at the Park Manor for BEN who will speak on the Soviet-Chinese controversy.

"Another meeting will be held at the February 27, when HERBERT APTHEKER will speak on 100 year's of emancipation.

"It was noted that BEN DAVIS will also be the speaker on Friday evening February 22, at the Park Manor when he will speak before Discussion's Unlimited group.

"DOROTHY HEALEY announced that her article on the California elections would be printed in the forthcoming issue of Political Affairs, copies of which are being made which should be mailed out widely to friends of the Party and to individuals engaged in Democratic Party politics and in other aspects of political affairs in Southern California.

"She noted privately during the course of the meeting that MICKEY LIMA had objected to the article mainly because of the fact that it was not focused around the fight against Proposition 24. In fact it is MICKEY LIMA'S contention, she stated, that the fight against proposition 24 was not properly handled in Southern California and should have been the main focus of the campaign, a position not held by DOROTHY HEALEY or the District Board in Southern California.

"During the course of the day's proceedings a notice was passed around in writing to the effect that a special conference on youth work would be held at the Park Manor on Sunday, February 17, at which the time the question of teenage work and other forms of youth work would be discussed. This meeting is especially directed at young people in and around the Party and at individuals in the Party who are presently working or are anxious to work with young people.

"An editorial from Pravda dealing with the crisis between the Communist Parties in China and the Soviet Union has been reprinted and a large quantity of these reprints was purchased recently by the District Committee of the Communist Party. These are being distributed free of charge in the Southern California area. In order to guarantee a mass distribution for this editorial.

"DOROTHY HEALEY then made a report of GUS HALL's report at the recent meeting of the National Committee of the Communist Party in New York. She noted that GUS HALL opened his remarks with references recently made by ROBERT MAYNARD HUTCHINS who heads the Committee for Democratic Studies located in Santa Barbara which recently held a conference in New York City. HUTCHINS had stated that the problem facing the world today is one of rule by violence or chaos on the one hand verses the rule of reason on the other. HALL agrees that this is certainly the problem. But he adds that there is a necessity in this age not only for the rule of reason but also for the rule of change and improvement in society.

"The four main questions raised by HUTCHINS in his speech in New York deal with the problems of technological developments, war, poverty, and human resources all at the same time being combated or handled while preserving human liberties.

"HALL commented that HUTCHINS apparently does not realize that these four questions can only be adequately handled and human liberties can only be adequately guaranteed under conditions of socialism. HALL noted that the pace of the changes which are going on in the world today is increasing, and that many new surprising developments have been occurring recently and will continue to take place. These changes and the surprising developments associated with them, HALL indicated, must lead inevitably to basic variations of theory on the part of the Marxist movement. The sharpness of the struggle around ideological questions, however, is not inevitable even though

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"differences are bound to appear as various Marxist groups come face to face with different experiences.

"The theories must clash however, because they arise from the struggles from the people and these struggles are in fact bound to be different from one country to the next. The sharpness and the factionalism of the struggle, however, are cause for serious concern and all Marxists must strive to handle their differences without engaging in the factionalism which seems to characterize so much of the discussion these days.

"HALL went on to say that Marxism can not afford to stay at the theoretical level which it occupied 40 or 50 years ago, because new developments require the modification of theories. He stated that we must struggle against factionalism in order to be able to solve current problems. Here in the United States, HALL said, the Communist Party is not sitting on the side lines. The Communist Party, for example, finds that the position of the Chinese Party recently taken in 'The Peking Review' towards PALMIRO TOGLIATTI is a direct challenge not only to the position of the Italian communists but also to the position taken by the Communist Party of the United States at the 16th and 17th National Conventions. We must understand that one basic theme goes to the position of the CPUSA and that is that the contradictions of capitalism tend to accentuate its weaknesses while the contradiction in the Socialist camp tends to accentuate the strength of Socialism. Capitalism, HALL pointed out, is not a united entity at the present time as it recently appeared to be. There are many disagreements inside of the capitalist camp.

"Originally, the Common Market, for example, was to have been a junior partnership to US imperialism. But it has turned out now to be a grab by the French and the Germans for economic power. Furthermore, the slow growth of the United States economy, characterized by frequent recessions etc., is not at all easy for US Capitalism to live with.

"GUS HALL commented that it is his feeling that tax cuts, which would stimulate consumption, would be very valuable if it were not for the fact that the rich will get more benefits than the poor from the new tax proposal. HALL pointed out that is well known that less than one per cent of the population in the United States owns 80 per cent or more of all the stock in corporations. He pointed out also that the government functions as the main stay and support of big business not only through investments credits and not only through military expenditures but also through its research & developments grants. As a result of all of these benefits, HALL said it would be fair to say that state monopoly capital has become 'institutionalized' in the United States today, because capitalism can no longer operate as a private venture. However, we must not confuse what is happening with steps towards socialism as some ill informed individuals occasionally will do. It is important to realize, getting back to the question of the differences between the Chinese and Russians, that the Trotskyites in the United States and the individuals gathered around the 'National Guardian' are making use of the Chinese material as they have never been able to use the material coming out of a Communist movement before. The Chinese position in 1957 and 1960 with regard to discussion of differences within the Party violated all the norms of party discussion, GUS HALL said. He then launched into a discussion of the history of the current Chinese position. He pointed out that in the beginning as far back as 1956 and 1957 the Chinese position started with the denial of the possibility of preventing limited wars. Now that position has changed into a denial of a possibility of preventing any wars so long as imperialism exists.

"Furthermore, the Chinese position originally accepted the policies of the 20th Congress but IRVING POTASH, who was in China at the time of the 20th Congress in the Soviet Union, reported that at the time of the adoption of the 20th Congress position the Chinese were accepting the proposition of a peaceful transition to Socialism which was contained in the documents of the 20th Congress. Now, however, they object to the possibility of peaceful transition in any country and

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"object strenuously to the Italian application of a position which was adopted at the 20th Congress.

"The Chinese have also now taken a position that co-existence has been proven a fallacy in the experience of Cuba. They accused the Russians of having participated in a Munich in withdrawing their missiles from Cuba. But GUS HALL'S position is that Cuba's sovereignty is actually strengthened by the position of the Soviet Union. The Chinese today denounce the peace movement of the United States and denounce the proposition of hinging the entire peace movement on theories of disarmament and test bans as being illusionist and appeasement. However, if the Communist Party of the United States were to adopt the Chinese point of view or if the British Communist Party were to adopt the Chinese point of view there would be no peace movements at all in either of these countries. We cannot start such a movement, says GUS HALL, from the point of view of fighting against U.S. imperialists. To do so would be to propose a sectarian approach which would not be well understood by the American people.

"GUS HALL then launched into a discussion of the routes of the Chinese position. GUS HALL feels that the error which is current in Chinese theory is related to the peculiar nature in which the Chinese Communist Party developed and the nationalistic basis of that development.

"GUS HALL feels that the nationalism which characterizes the Chinese Communist Party's position and the left sectarianism which arises from this nationalism is related to the history of the Communist Party of China and its present base. It was necessary, says GUS HALL, that the Chinese communists build their movement on the basis of the present demand for land and to build an army based on the peasantry. It was necessary especially therefore, in the period after obtaining of power that the Chinese Communist movement concentrate on building the communes as a means of satisfying the Chinese peasant demands. The impact on the Chinese Communist Party of its own economic

"origins is of great significance, says GUS HALL. He also says that the evidence of the present nationalistic point of view of the Chinese Communist Party may be seen in the fact that a couple of years ago the Chinese communists were active in denouncing the Soekarno of Indonesia for its land reform policy mainly because of the affect of that policy on over chese Chinese land owners. This is certainly is not a working class position since it was aimed at protecting the interest of Chinese who were wealthy land owners rather than workers.

"Furthermore it is GUS HALL'S position that MAO TSETUNG was glorified in the same manner that TALIN was glorified mainly for the purpose of giving the pesants an idol to worship.

"The attack on TOGLIATTI and the Italian party was a dishonest attack said GUS HALL. It illustrates what happens when a Marxist party becomes the leadership of a nation. It very often turns towards nationalism and finds itself no longer challenged with regard to the correctness of its ideas. It develops a more limited point of view and tries to protect its nation without regard to working class distinctions, or to the need for international solidarity.

"GUS pointed out during the course of his report that at the beginning of the Hungarian revolt the Chinese communists for several days fully supported this rebellion before they were made to understand by the Russians that the rebellion constituted a direct challenge to the power of the Communist movement. HALL also pointed out that joint radar stations which had been established by the Soviet Union on Chinese ground were eliminated as a result of the demands of the Chinese for operating their own radar stations. They also demanded that the Soviet Union supply them with independent nuclear resources. This, GUS HALL said, was one of the earliest differences between the Chinese and the Russians (to the knowledge of this reporter this is the first time that any communist of the United States has noted the well known fact that atomic questions were early points of differences between the Soviet Union and China).

"GUS HALL went on to say that the Chinese Government has never participated in the economic conferences which distributed the responsibility among various socialist countries for contributing individual things. These conferences are course dominated by the Soviet Union and apparently the Chinese feel that they should build their economy independently rather than in partnership with the Soviet Union and other Communist countries.

"Finally with regard to the proposals were made recently in the last couple of years for the drive towards a Communist economy in the Soviet Union the Chinese took the position that this should be opposed because it would prevent the Soviet Union from giving all the economic aid to China that it might otherwise make available. (It should be noted that the move toward Communism annunciated by KHRUSHCHEV is mainly a move to increase the standard of living of the Russian people, which would not be possible if the Russian people were supporting the kind of economic growth in China which the Chinese demand).

"GUS HALL then returned the question of the position of the CPUSA as taken in the statement recently made by the National Committee, or rather by the National Executive Committee. (DOROTHY HEALEY pointed out that she did not see this statement before it was published in the 'Daily Worker' in spite of the fact that she was in New York at the time that it was written).

"GUS HALL commented that the Party in its position taken in this statement is fighting not so much in criticism of China as it is for the correctness of its own line as established as early as ten years ago, and as expanded as the 16th and 17th national conventions. GUS HALL pointed out that we must remember that while we are discussing our own line and trying to defend it we should try to avoid a factional approach to the discussion. With the respect to the question of Cuba the CPUSA position was rejected recently in 'The Peking Review' editorial, DOROTHY HEALEY noted. In the editorial, the Chinese

"take the position that the US invasion was prevented solely by the strength of the Cuban people, that no other reason prevented the United States from invading Cuba than the fact that the Cubans were well armed and were ready to repulse an invasion.

"DOROTHY HEALEY pointed out that this is the 'paper tiger' theory so familiar in Chinese thinking, and not a theory which the United States Communist Party could support. She went on to examine the position of the Chinese with regard to the Italians. The Chinese accused the Italians of taking a pessimistic view with regard to the possibilities of peace and the possibilities of fighting against imperialism. The Chinese hold that the only ban on nuclear arms would be based on the superiority of socialist arms. A nuclear war on the other hand the Chinese feel would destroy only imperialism but not socialism. However, DOROTHY HEALEY commented in answer to this position that such a program would call for the destruction not simply of imperialism but of the people who live in the imperialist countries. Furthermore it is the position of DOROTHY HEALEY that socialism could hardly survive in a post-nuclear world. At this point DOROTHY HEALEY noted that JIM JACKSON of the National Committee of the Party while he was at the 81 Nation Conference in Moscow a couple of years ago had pointed out that this was the case and had said in a speech which he made there that any socialism which would be built on the debris of a post nuclear world would not be socialism at all but a mutation. (During the course of this discussion it was made clear that DOROTHY HEALEY feels that JACKSON was not present at this conference of the 81 Nations as a journalist as originally was announced but rather as a delegate representing the Communist Party of the United States.)

"(Some note was taken of the shift in identification which DOROTHY HEALEY chose to make during the course of the discussion. BEN DOBBS pointed out that we have always held that our representatives JACKSON and ELIZ. GURLEY FLYNN were not delegates to these conferences but rather journalistic observers representing 'The Worker,' the publication in New York

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"City. DOROTHY HEALEY laughingly remarked when these remarks were made that it is apparently well known to everyone that these individuals were not journalists but actually participants in the deliberations at the 81 Nation Conference).

"DOROTHY HEALEY then went on to show that the task of the Communist Party in the United States is to show the seriousness of nuclear war and to show how a qualitative change has taken place since the dropping of the first nuclear bomb in the technology of modern war fare.

"The Chinese on the other hand say that we are timid in this country if we take the 'paper tiger' of US imperialism seriously. This is a different position from the point of view from the national committee of the Communist Party of the United States.

"Turning then her attention to a document recently published by the Education Committee of the Moranda Smith Section DOROTHY HEALEY noted that we should guarantee an anti-factional discussion. She commented that in her opinion MIMI ALEXANDER's article which has already received wide distribution in this district is a factional approach which mainly because of the fact that it entirely ignores the the position of the CPUSA with regard to all of the questions which it discusses. The article states among other things that the position of the Soviet Union with regard to withdrawing missiles from Cuba was an act of great national chauvinism, because it was not discussed with the Cuban Government at the time this position was taken. However, the position with regard to importance of peaceful coexistence which was characterized by the Soviet Union in its reaction to the demand for the removal of missiles was well known to the CPUSA and established by them at the time of the 16th and 17th National Conventions, although this is not noted by MIMI ALEXANDER's article. Furthermore, the section in MIMI's document on the Chinese-Indian war at no time quotes the Indian position but rather only the Chinese Nationalists support of the Chinese Government with regard to the boundary question. MIMI quotes at length from

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"'The Peking Review' in its attack on Nehru but ignores the role that the Nehru Government has played among the non-aligned forces of the country. She further says, according to DOROTHY HEALEY, that the Indian Communist Party positon is similar to the position of the Second International during World War I. But she leaves out the fact that India is a newly independent country which is fundamentally anti-imperialist in character. Why should the Indian Communist Party and the people which it represents not want to defend themselves against an attack which is destroying their people? asked DOROTHY HEALEY.

"With regard to the Albanian question MIMI ALEXANDER arbitrarily accepts the Chinese position not paying any attention at all to the comments recently made by KHRUSCHEV in the East German Party Conference with regard to Albania which is a considerable modification and an attempt to improve the relationship between the Soviet Union and Albania.

"With the regard to the question of Yugoslavia, DOROTHY HEALEY pointed out that we have to judge Yugoslavia not in terms what we may think of their manner of operation but rather in terms of their position on the fight for peace. We should not call their position on nuclear testing, on recognition of East Germany, and other positions to be the representative position of imperialism because it can in no way be characterized as this. We should encourage debate on these questions, DOROTHY HEALEY said, in closing her report but the debate must not be one sided as it is in MIMI ALEXANDER's document.

"Completing her report DOROTHY HEALEY suggested a break for lunch, which was agreed to by the body. During the course of lunch FLORENCE HALL and CAL GOODMAN went out to discuss a series of questions which he has prepared to be used as the basis for discussing the labor policy proposals which appeared recently in 'Political Affairs.'

"While CAL GOODMAN and FLORENCE HALL were having lunch discussing the questions to be used in this District as

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"a basis for a discussion of the Labor Policy material which was recently issued by the National Committee. It was disclosed that a sub-committee of the district of SOPHIE SILVER would meet on Friday February 15. This meeting will be devoted exclusively to preparing material on the Labor Policy report.

"FLORENCE HALL took the document which CAL GOODMAN had previously had gone over with SOPHIE SILVER and said that she would give it to SAM KUSHNER, who would do a certain amount of modification and writing and she would guarantee that the document would be made ready for the Friday evening meeting. The plan is to have a series of questions on some of the practical and theoretical aspects of the Labor Policy problem together with the bibliography. CAL GOODMAN also proposed that FLORENCE HALL should raise at this meeting the possibility of a seminar which he had discussed previously with SOPHIE SILVER which would be an evening meeting based on a master class that could be used for leading the discussion on Labor Policy in the various clubs and sections in the party of the Southern California District.

"During the course of the discussion FLORENCE HALL indicated that she has been hard at work trying to put together the Industrial Section once more. She indicated that there is now a club of steel workers which has been organized with which IRVING GOFF is working. She also indicated that HARRY HUNT is attempting to put together a club of building trade workers including plumbers, and carpenters. As well as possibly some laborers. She also indicated that there is some possibility of reorganizing the club in auto and of course that the needle trades club is still operating.

"FLORENCE HALL stated that she is a member of a club in the Echo Park area which is a club of union people operating on a community level. She stated that many of the trade union people in Southern California have in the last couple of years devoted their energies almost entirely to work in the CDC but that she was trying to raise the notion that some of them should shift their efforts over to working in CORE which was a more

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"independent arm of the political scene than could be found in a organization directly dependent on the Democratic Party for its existence. She said she was having considerable difficulty gaining acceptance in this point of view particularly from those members of the CDC who are in the Party and who have for some years now done all their work in the California Democratic Clubs.

"When the lunch period ended a discussion was opened and the first speaker being DANNY BESSIE. He indicated that he felt that the statement that was issued by the National Executive Committee with regard to the conflict between the Soviet Union and the Chinese Communist Party should have been more reflective of the role of US imperialism in opposition to the Chinese, particularly in blockading the China coast and in protecting Formosa. Also in keeping the Chinese out of the United Nations. It was DANNY's feeling that one of the biggest problems that the Chinese Communist have is the fact that they are a non nuclear nation, blockaded by the Seventh Fleet of the United States, and with no status in the United Nations. Generally DANNY feels that there are a great many possibilities in any nationalistic struggle for escalating the conditions of war and that the Soviet Union, while it has been acting correctly, has been equally responsible with the Chinese for the development of factionalism. They should realize, DANNY BESSIE said, that the fraternal parties are not class enemies but rather class allies.

"He was followed by RALPH from Santa Monica who indicated that what we have here is an argument not over Marxist theory but over the interpretation of Marxist theory and the real world. And it is his feeling that the discussion that has been held up until now has not been adequate on many of these questions.

"The next speaker was GEORGE WILLETT who indicated that we should stimulate the debate which is now developing and pointed out that KPFFK recently ran a debate sponsored by Discussion Unlimited in which he is very active and in which a

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"broad point of view was represented. Basically, GEORGE indicated that he agrees with the position of the National Committee in its estimate of the problems facing the world's communist movement.

"The next speaker was NEMMY SPARKS who spoke at length with regard to the significance of the difficulties with the Chinese Communists. He made a opening remark in passing with regard to the Common Market in which he indicated that he disagrees with GUS HALL's theory that the Common Market has started out on a course which will permanently be separated from American Imperialism. It is his feeling that the Common Market, in the last analysis, will turn out to be not in opposition to the interest of United States Imperialism and that eventually the British will enter the Common Market and the organization will become pro-United States Imperialism in spite of the many internal contradictions of the various capitalist countries which are manifested by current difficulties.

"Asked why the differences arose at the present time with regard to the Chinese and Soviet position, NEMMY holds that at the time of the 20th Congress a new relationship was proposed between Communist and non-Communist countries. At that time it was accepted but in the course of the succeeding seven years differences have been bound to appear. The Marxist Movement in the long run, NEMMY SPARKS noted, has lived through and been strengthened by just such sharp discussions as are now going on. We must realize she said that there is a disparity in the development not only economic but also political, of the various countries under Communist control today.

"NEMMY SPARKS called attention to the differences which developed between BUKHARIN with the early Marxists at the time of the first Communist International. BUKHARIN represented the Russian, Italian, and Spanish Communists who later became anarchists. Their position was based entirely on the situation within the countries where their strength lay,

"while the Marxist position was based primarily on the more highly developed countries of England and Germany. The BUKHARIN movement rejected the concept of mass political struggle in favor of the concept of direct economic action and strikes based mostly on the position of the peasantry. For anybody who lives in misery BUKHARIN felt the concept of peaceful co-existence and trying to get temporary gains which was advanced by MARX is a difficult concept to understand. This is one reason why MARX always referred to the peasants as backward and LENIN referred to the peasants as village idiots. The entire view of the peasantry NEMMY SPARKS holds, is limited to the boundaries of their own land. After the difficulties with BUKHARIN, the Communist Party ran into a similar sort of difficulties with the Trotskyites. And now we find another similar set of difficulties with the Chinese.

"The Trotskyites appeared after the seizure of power in the same way that NAPOLEON appeared after the seizure of power in the French revolution and tried to turn the revolutionary force of their country into an instrument for international conquest. TROTSKY elevated the concept of force to that of the major instrument of revolution. To LENIN force had a more limited temporary role to play in the revolutionary movement, NEMMY SPARKS stated. TROTSKY on the other hand, proposed after the victory of the Russian revolution to not demobilize the Red Army but rather to install military labor battalions in the various factories. TROTSKY also fought for the concept of permanent revolution which resulted in the attack on Poland in 1918 and the subsequent defeat of the Red Army at that time in Poland which led to Brest-Litovsk which took a large chunk of Soviet land away and gave it to Poland, mainly because TROTSKY felt that a revolution should be spread from one country to the next and fully expected the Russian Red Army to be met with enthusiastic acceptance by the Polish workers. This of course did not occur, the Polish workers supported their reactionary government in opposition to invasion of the foreigners, without realizing that these foreigners were working class.

"NEMMY went on to say that China's position with regard to Cuba was itself an adventurer's position. He pointed out that the differences which we have with the Chinese are real but they must be solved on a sober realistic approach. Some of China's ideas are definitely Trotskyite in character, he said, and at present the political struggle should not be expected to lead a working class movement as it does in China today. To be sure, NEMMY noted the Chinese were correct in using the peasantry to gain state power. But they should not have based their policy on present ideology as they are doing today. With regard to the question of importance in technology in war fare NEMMY SPARKS noted that both MARX and FUGELS were intensely concerned with the relationship of technology to war fare. They pointed out at the time of the Paris commune that spirit alone cannot win a revolution and that military techniques affect the nature of the class struggle. This was true at the time of the Paris commune and is much more true in the nuclear age. The working class must always think first of the welfare of the people and not of the possibilities of survival as the Chinese are suggesting that we do. We must convince the Chinese that their line should be changed and get them to return to the flexible role which they had before they took state power.

"The next speaker was CHARLENE MITCHELL who indicated that she agreed with the report which GUS HALL had made although she had some reservations with regard to the National Executive Board statement, as well as some points where she disagreed with this statement. She also agreed that the National Executive Board has a perfect right to make such statements. With regard to the question how peace can be achieved CHARLENE maintained that the United States says that we can only achieve peace through the force of arms. We say on the other hand that peace can be achieved because of the power of the working class in capitalist countries. CHARLENE feels that the Chinese position is incorrect but that a matter of discussing the differences is equally incorrect. With regard to the question of nationalism we should realize that this is a two sided question and we cannot simply accuse the Chinese of being nationalistic without remembering that the Russians have

"also been pretty nationalistic. Turning her attention to the question of MIMI ALEXANDER's statements, CHARLENE commented that while she disagrees with the content of this statement and more particularly with the failure of MIMI ALEXANDER and the Education Committee of the Section to bring this statement to the section body where she is the section organizer she cannot admit that this is a factional document simply because it is one sided. It could be used, however, for factional purposes she admitted.

"The next speaker was CAL GOODMAN who commented at length with regard to the Cuban developments and to the China-India border dispute calling attention to KHRUSCHEV document which is re printed in the January issue of Political Affairs.

"The next speaker in the discussion was ROSE CHERNIN. She indicated that she felt the party statement with regard to the Chinese-Soviet dispute is entirely too demeaning for her taste. She said that she has a number of questions in her mind with regard to the Chinese position. For example she can agree that Cuba was not a Munich. On the other hand she did not see that the alternative to the Cuban situation would necessarily have been a nuclear war if missiles had not been removed. ROSE finds it very difficult to understand how imperialism could be destroyed in a nuclear war while socialism would survive as the Chinese seem to be claiming. She also finds it difficult to understand how the United States can be considered a paper tiger. ROSE indicated that she suspects that the Chinese position is largely based on their isolation from world affairs, and that the Chinese feel that there can be a struggle perhaps against the state rule in the United States or any other part of American imperialism that fights against communism. It's her feeling, in other words, that the working class would be more militant and more anti-imperialist than it is at the present time according to the Chinese. With respect to the question of India, China has a good case in proving that India invaded China and not the other way around. But China feels that its integrity has been violated but there is a question of the right timing with regard to the

"border dispute and how this affects World War III with respect to NEMMY's point about the present basis of the Communist party of China, ROSE indicated that during her trip last August when she was talking to some of the people in Mexico who are Marxists, she indicated that one of them indicated that they had much more to learn from the Chinese Revolution than they did from the Russian Revolution. Without necessarily agreeing with the Chinese position, she finds it difficult to characterize their position as plain Trotskyism. ROSE CHERNIN noted that at the recent conference at Tanganyika of the Afro Asian Nations that emphasis had now been placed on Latin American participation and presumes that this is related to the Chinese position since the Chinese are very active in the Afro-Asian Conference. With respect to MIMI ALEXANDER's document, ROSE CHERNIN indicated that she, too, agrees that the document should have gone to the section first before being distributed.

"The next speaker was BEN DOBBS who said we did not have policy problems as Marxists except with respect to the fact that many socialist countries which have communist parties in power have differing policies. We cannot detach the problems from the reality of the situation and it is important for us to take public positions with regard to our policies. DOBBS pointed out that ELIZ. GURLEY FLYNN, when she was in the Soviet Union at the time of the 81 Nation Conference, came back saying that she thought that the Chinese at that time had many ideological and factional differences with the statement in spite of the fact that they signed it. The Chinese, for example, commented to ELIZ. GURLEY FLYNN, according to BEN DOBBS, that the United States is very lucky to have no Labor Party to confuse the issues. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN felt that this reflected a complete lack of understanding on the part of the Chinese communists of the nature of the struggle or of the value of other non-communist progressive and left wing organizations. We must look at the position at which we have developed from the point of view of determining whether the policy of the Communist Party in the United States really is an abandonment of the

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"revolutionary position as has been claimed by the Trotskyites and is now apparently being claimed by the Chinese communists. Is it true that the concept of peaceful transition is just a joke as some communists even in the United States feel, or do we really believe that peaceful transition to socialism is possible? asked BEN DOBBS. Likewise are we really in favor of an anti-monopoly coalition or is this just an empty slogan that we are raising. Is the anti-colonial movement which we are supporting in spite of the fact that is not socialistic in its basis or really a revolutionary movement as we have been saying or is it perhaps something quite else? If we are in agreement then it would be necessary to defend the Party statement issued recently on the Chinese Soviet dispute. One thing that we should understand with regard to Yugoslavia said DOBBS, is the position which we predicted the Yugoslavs would take in support of Imperialism which did not develop that way. That fact is that while the Yugoslavians have taken a good deal of aid from the United States it has not turned out that the Yugoslavians have abandoned Communist policy with regard to many international questions.

"The next speaker was EMIL FREED, who indicated that we had a major concentration of military power, which the United States brought to bear at the time of the Cuban crisis in October. The fact that a statement was issued that the United States would not invade was an important concession. This position was not based simply on the strength of the Cuban army but more on the strength of world opinion. The fact that the Canadian government now refuses to become a 'banana' Republic is another indication of countries breaking away from the direct domination of American imperialism. EMIL FREED read a statement from 'The Peking Review' and pointed out that if you make a very minor change in the names of the countries mentioned that the statement could just as easily be statement from the Birch Society demanding war as the solution of the problems of the world.

"The next speaker was BILL TAYLOR who complimented NEMMY SPARKS on his use of classical sources in understanding

"the problems, with regard to the question of the present days of the Chinese Party and with regard to the possibility for peaceful transition to socialism. BILL TAYLOR suggested that the Education Department should prepare materials which will bring the members of the Party back to the Marxist Classics for a basis of discussion. With regard to the question of the Common Market, BILL TAYLOR indicated that he agrees with NEMMY SPARKS that the membership of the British in the Common Market will eventually occur but that there will be continued to be differences in capitalist countries. The question of whether China wants to be in the United Nations needs to be considered said BILL TAYLOR. If the Soviet Union was adventurous on its way into Cuba with its missiles as the Chinese claim, BILL TAYLOR raised the question of how the Chinese could consider that it was a 'sell out' to take them out. This seems like a contradiction in terms. With regard to the problem of India, BILL TAYLOR indicated that he finds GUS HALL's approach good because it does not put it in terms of the Chinese Soviet but the United States position, with regard to the question. We could not say that withdrawal of the missiles were the capitulation nor can we say that the peace movement in this country is of no value even if it has no really anti-imperialist character as the Chinese claim it should. We have to show the relationship of the anti-imperialist struggle for peace, he said, before the Negro people will be able to join that movement. Likewise it is necessary for us to understand the nature of the trade union movement before we can discuss its relationship to peace. It will be necessary for us to learn when to retreat and when to take partial victories in all political developments in this period. With regard to MIMI ALEXANDER's document, BILL TAYLOR indicated that he felt that it is a factional document not because it was brought out in a factional way but rather because it given rise to factional groupings, regardless of the intentions of its author.

"The next speaker was DOROTHY HEALEY, who indicated that the Soviet Union has correctly criticized itself for the big power chauvinism which it harbored in 1940's when the working class was just coming into power in certain countries

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"in Eastern Europe. But the backward role of the peasants and the progressive role of the working class cannot be identified as the basis for this nationalistic point of view in the Soviet Union at that time. We therefore must be careful not to make over generalizations as to the cause of China's ideological differences.

"The present approach however, because of its relationship to the means of production and the problem of ownership of land is certainly an important effect on the ideology of Chinese Communist Party. However, we should realize that all of the Latin American Communist Parties which are peasant based organizations have recently supported the USSR in spite of the fact that their experience is much closer to that of the Chinese in terms of organization. It is necessary for us to take a point of view with regard to policies these days not only in terms of their contents but from the point of view of where they lead. Other parties have arrived at the Soviet Unions position independently on their hook. The Chinese had no difficulty in coming to an agreement recently with Pakistan on the Kashmiri. The Pakistan is however, a base of United States imperialism which India has never been. India and Yugoslavia acceptance of aid from the Soviet Union and from the United States simultaneously is an indication of the countries. But Soviet aid tends to strengthen the role of the nonaligned countries. Poland is another country which gets aid from both sides and help from the USA is available to it, not because it wants to be a point of US imperialism but because of the standard of living of the Polish people would be helped by this aid. Our approach must be to place the entire imperialist struggle ahead of the smaller issues. Two years ago KHRUSCHEV said at Bucharest that border questions in the last analysis are not important because the land will eventually all belong to the workers anyhow. The questions of who invaded, the Chinese or the Indians, is really a vicious question DOROTHY HEALEY said since the Chinese had superior equipment in training and the Indian forces were not really ready for any kind of military action. India does however, have a strong right wing

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"movement in its own camp and these people have used the border incidence to their own end. With respect to Yugoslavia GENE DENNIS read them out of the socialist world even before the National Committee had an opportunity to read the Yugoslavia documents. At that time DOROTHY HEALEY indicated that she had asked how one could determine the socialism of a country in terms of its economy, the relationship between its economic base and its super structure, and the role of the working class in working power. These questions were not answered at that time although KHRUSCHEV now apparently agrees that Yugoslavia is a socialist country in spite of the fact that its policies are different from his. Likewise KHRUSCHEV is now defending Albania's existence as a socialist state in spite of the fact that he differs from it. Italy is the one country among the communist parties which has maintained good relationships between Yugoslavia and Albania. Something new has entered the discussion now, DOROTHY HEALEY said. For the first time the materials of a major soviet country are being embraced by the Trotskyites of the United States. She closed in predicting that this situation could lead to the development of a new party in the United States of the Ultra Left, which would coalesce the splinter groups of the various Trotskyites organizations together with certain forces in the 'National Guardian.' In closing she called attention to the December issue of 'Political Affairs' in the resolution of labor and called on the clubs to bring about discussion on this important question in the near future."

ACTION

Index: Committee for Democratic Studies.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55501) DATE: 3/25/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

RE: WESTERN SECTION
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	2/27/63 Meeting of Culver City and Venice Club with representatives of the Western Section.	3/4/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant furnished the following report:

"March 4 of 1963

"On February 27, 1963 a meeting of representatives from the Venice and Culver Clubs, Southern California District Communist Party was held at the residence of [REDACTED] Culver City, California. The following individuals were present:

cc: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
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100-33038 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-51613 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-32661 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-32212 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-31820 [REDACTED] (SI)
100-26046 (NATIONAL GROUP COMMISSIONS)
100-63544 (CUBAN MATTERS MISC.)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-24349 (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)
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[redacted]
[redacted] led a discussion on the differences between Red China and the Soviet Union. This discussion was much like the discussion held on the same subject at the previous meeting.

"During the discussion [redacted] remarked that when the Mexican Government under President CARDENAS took over the oil industry owned by outside companies, principally from the United States in the 1937, the Mexican Government paid for them. [redacted] stated that in the case of Cuba, the Cuban Government offered to pay for the property taken over by the Cuban Government after the revolution. [redacted] stated that CASTRO attempted to enforce an income tax law against the American Companies and the Cubans, but agreed to forget 10 years of the back taxes due. Some paid the tax and some didn't. This law was in existence in 1940 under BATISTE.

[redacted] indicated that he is concerned because both the United States and Russia are stockpiling missiles. He pointed out that those who talk of war and indicate a desire for it do not realize that a war will kill all. He mentioned the John Birch people as people that seem to want war, or at least talk about it.

"During the discussion, it was pointed out that the policy of China has an effect on the whole world. China follows the teaching of LENIN, that is, the transition from capitalism to communism must come through a struggle by force and violence. Russia and the Communist Party of the United States believes that this no longer applies because of the missiles that are available for use today.

[redacted] urged those present to discuss the merging of the Culver and Venice Clubs because of the small membership of both groups. An attempt will be made to get [redacted] to come to the next meeting which will be held at the residence of [redacted]

"There was also a discussion concerning the collection of Communist Party dues and funds for the 'People's World.' All

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members are behind in their dues. If there is not enough pledged for the 'People's World' it will be necessary to hold social affair_ to raise the funds."

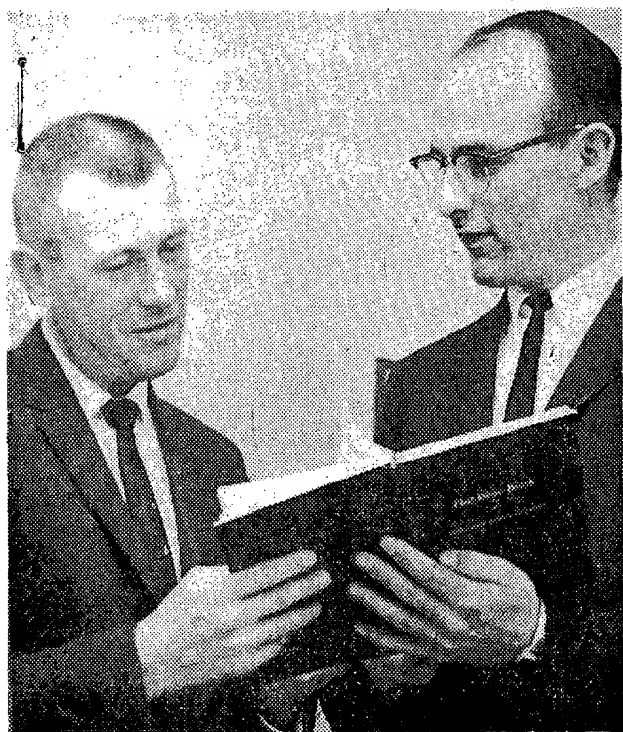
ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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Birch speaker urges 'dignified' anti-Red fight



BLUE BOOK — James Schrecengost of Oxnard, left, area John Birch leader, and Carl Danielson discuss the society's "Blue Book," one of several publications which was offered for sale during last night's meeting.

—Press-Courier Photo

By Art German

The John Birch Society brought its "new look" into Oxnard last night at a public meeting which was shorn of reckless and angry charges.

The 105 persons who attended the meeting at the Community Center were exhorted to join the John Birch Society and take part in a "dignified" fight against Communism.

The speaker was Carl Danielson of Bakersfield, area coordinator of the society. He explained away a statement once attributed to Robert Welch, the society's founder, that former President Dwight D. Eisenhower was a "conscious" agent of the Communist conspiracy. He said: "We've made mistakes. We're human."

"We're trying to reach the grass roots," said James Schrecengost of Oxnard, a Birch section leader. "We want to tell our story and of course we welcome members."

The public meeting was the first held by the John Birch Society in Ventura County and will be followed by others. District Governor John H. Rousselot will

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special in Ventura on April 9, and a second "informational" meeting will be held at the Oxnard Community Center on April 19.

The idea of holding public informational meetings has been promoted by Mr. Rousselot, it was reported. In the past, the John Birch Society had been attacked by leaders of both political parties who said the organization was semi-secret and potentially dangerous.

At last night's meeting, Mr. Danielson outlined the aims of the organization and showed a sound film of founder Welch, who presented his views of the dangers of communism ("communism has gone two-thirds of the way" toward world domination). Mr. Danielson offered for sale the John Birch Society "blue book" and other organization books and periodicals, distributed membership and periodical subscription cards, offered his reasons why Americans should join the society and answered questions from the audience.

It was all peaceful. There were no angry charges, no clashes with the audience and when the meeting ended, there was applause. Mr. Danielson, a quietly articulate young man, pooh-poohed frequently voiced charges that the John Birch Society is "fascist," "anti-Semitic," or "absurd."

"We will tell you what we are," he said. "We feel the Birch Society is an approach to a solution of a problem. That problem is the advance of the Communist conspiracy."

"We don't go for defamatory letters," he said. "We don't go out charging that people are Communies. We oppose communism in a dignified manner. There are no wild charges."

He said the U.S. is at war with communism, "a war as real as any we've been engaged in

... a fight to the finish. We're losing very rapidly. To win, we will have to change our basic

"As individuals," he said, "we have to belong to something that makes our efforts worth while."

He said the society is effective because it recognizes the principle of concerted action, is monolithic in its nature, and is immune to Communist infiltration.

"Furthermore," he added, "It is here and it works."

He defended the "monolithic" nature of the society, through which its policies are set forth by Mr. Welch and his advisors.

"It's not a political party," he said. "It won't change from year to year. It is a solid body that moves with authority in a deliberate direction."

Those who disagree with the direction the society takes are free to withdraw at any time, he added.

Mr. Danielson said the society has one additional goal. It fights for limited government because an overly powerful government can lead to tyranny.

He predicted that the society will double in size every three months, but he declined to state how many members the organization now has.

After the meeting, Mr. Schrecengost said Oxnard already has "several" chapters, but he declined to elaborate.

A spokesman said approximately 76 copies of John Birch Society reading matter were sold at the meeting. These included the "Blue Book," which was sold for \$2 a copy; and a collection of 10 anti-Communist books, sold at \$10 for the entire collection.

Mr. Schrecengost said he did not know if anyone had joined the society (\$24 per year) as an immediate result of the meeting.

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Audience at Birch Society meeting plays coy on reasons for attending

Most of the 105 people who attended last night's meeting of the John Birch Society at the Oxnard Community Center were pretty close-mouthed about why they were there.

A Press-Courier reporter surveyed a sample group from among the audience and found:

- At least 75 per cent wouldn't give their names.

- Some who wouldn't give their names declined to make any comment on what brought them to the meeting.

- Only a small fraction of those in attendance are members of the John Birch Society.

- Most of those who were willing to discuss their motivation for coming to the meeting said they were simply curious to hear about the John Birch Society.

"It's curiosity that brought me

here, pure and simple," said Ted Schultz, 420 South D street, Oxnard, a photographer. "I'm not saying if I'm curious for or against the society. If I had any such conclusion I wouldn't be curious."

Charles Millage, 3033 South F street, Oxnard, a TV serviceman, said he is not a member of the society "but they are doing a job that somebody has to do.

"I don't know if I'll ever join but I believe in a lot of what they're doing. Something has to be done soon if the government keeps on performing the way it has been."

One man who declined to give his name said "I'm just like everybody else here. I'm curious. They have something to sell and I want to see what it is."

Another man declined to give his name because he said he is in business locally. He said he feared his attitude might result in a loss of business.

"I'm impressed with what I've heard," he said during the meeting.

A Ventura psychiatrist who declined to give his name said he thought the John Birch Society seems to have shifted from extremism to respectability.

"Tonight's meeting seemed sort of subdued to me," he said. "They seem to be trying to be respectable. I think they realize they won't attract anyone except extremists through their old methods."

He said he came to the meeting because "we should know what these people who disagree with us are doing."

Tobias Grether, a Camarillo farmer, said he is a member of the society "and I'm proud of it."

"I joined the society a few years ago," he added. "Why did I do it? For the cause, that's why."

Tony Del Buono of Thousand Oaks, a former member of the County Democratic Central Committee, said he considers the society "the American Fascist movement."

He said he came to the meeting to find out who the members are "so we can keep 'em under surveillance."

And one man said: "You want to know why I'm here? There wasn't anything good on TV, that's why."

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March 21, 1963

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Fed. Bureau of Investigation
Washington D.C.

Dear Director,

I am a member of the Methodist Church and have attended a number of meetings sponsored by my church where the speakers have severely condemned the John Birch Society. Your name has been mentioned frequently as saying that the Birch Society is detrimental to the American system of Gov't, and groups such as this have no place in our democratic society.

On one such occasion your book "Masters of Deceit" was used as a reference to verify that you "Were most critical of the right wing." The speaker related this criticism to the Birch Society and even gave the page number. I had read your book previously and could remember no such remark so when I arrived home I immediately checked the reference and I found he was using your remarks on Right Wing Opportunism to show that you were critical of the Birchers.

Last week our minister wrote a rather scathing article about the "Increasingly Powerful Right Wing Movement" in which he quoted you as having said "They, are against Communism without being for freedom." They are against ignorance without being for education. They are against sin without being for God"

I would like to know, first did he quote you correctly and second, were you referring to the John Birch Society. I would appreciate your speedy response to my inquiry as I am trying to verify all sources of information and mis-information in an effort to try to develop a more valid opinion on this subject.

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I would like to thank you in advance for your trouble in this matter as I know you are a very busy man but this is a serious thing to me and have confidence you will give reliable information.

My mailing address is:

Los Angeles 49, Calif.

Sincerely,

March 27, 1963

[redacted]
Los Angeles 49, California

Dear [redacted]:

I have received your letter of March 21, 1963, and the concern prompting your communication is appreciated.

With respect to your inquiry concerning the John Birch Society, the FBI being strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. Therefore, I trust you will understand why I am not in a position to make any statement approving or condemning this group.

In connection with my remarks as quoted in your letter, the quote word for word was reproduced accurately. However, no relation to any specific group by name was intended. Utilizing my statement out of context and concluding that it pertained to the John Birch Society is a gross error.

I am enclosing a copy of my message to law enforcement officials dated October 1, 1961, which contains the above mentioned quote. In addition, other literature which I hope you will find of interest is being sent.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)

DATE: 4/1/63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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[REDACTED] Palm Springs
Police Department, advised on 3/27/63 that JOHN ROUSSELOT,
District Governor of the John Birch Society, was to be the
speaker at a meeting on Friday, 3/29/63, at 8:00 p.m. at
the Palm Springs City Hall.

NATE BLISS and RUSSELL MEADOW, spokesmen for the
Desert Patriots, have said that there will be 26 pickets
at this meeting who will begin their picketing at 7:00 p.m.
on 3/29/63.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : SAC

DATE: 4/6/63

FROM : SA RICHARD L. CROMWELL

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY,
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At 9:15pm 4/6/63 [redacted]
Cucamonga, Calif., telephone: [redacted] advised telephonically that he had been contacted this date by an acquaintance, [redacted] of Montclair, Calif., and invited to a meeting to be held at the Foothill Trailer Court, Foothill Blvd., Pomona, Calif., in the recreation building at this location. The meeting is to be either Mon., 4/8/63 or next Sat., 4/13/63. He told [redacted] that this was to be an anti-communist meeting at which a film would be shown on what the United Nations did wrong in Katanga. He said the organization did not have a name, and that many people attended the meetings.

[redacted] that he had seen a list of communists, and that President KENNEDY is actually a communist. He said that the communists are going to take over Mexico in 1963, and that by the end of 1964 they will take over the U.S.

[redacted] said he had gone to the meeting at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles at which Gen. WALKER spoke.

[redacted] said he is a member of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, and also of the organization sponsoring the meeting mentioned above, in Pomona. He said he will start an organization to push for legislation which will allow private citizens to keep arms in their homes—or would fight legislation prohibiting this—[redacted] was not sure which.

[redacted] wanted his identity maintained as confidential.

ACTION: None. For info only.

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SA RICHARD L. CROWELL

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 3/19/63
 FROM: SA GILBERT G. BENJAMIN
 SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)
 IS-C

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Spring membership meeting of Valley Chap. WLA, 2/28/63 at Valley Colonial House, N. Hollywood, Calif. & liter- ature furnished.	3/15/63	Writer	[redacted] And see below re location of literature furnished.

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Informant furnished the following written report:

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100-39187	[REDACTED]	(RI-B)

"Sherman Oaks Calif.
March 15, 1963

"I attended the spring membership meeting of the Valley Chapter of WIA which was held at the Colonial House 4810 Whitsett No. Hollywood, Calif. on Thursday Feb. 28, 1963. AMELIA SLUYTER opened the meeting.

"This meeting was opened to non members for purposes of recruiting. AMELIA welcomed the visitors and explained about the organization and that membership dues are \$4.00 a year. She explained that luncheon would be served. There was a larger crowd at this meeting than usual. It was necessary to obtain additional chairs to handle the crowd and even then some people had to stand. The International Relations Panel and the Legislative report took up the morning session.

"ILSE WOLFSON presented the legislative report in which recommendations were made to write supporting the following bills.

"Bill No. 84 to abolish the Un-American activities committee.

"41 Civil Rights bill.

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"HR 3139 Right to vote.

"HR 2583 segregation in schools and education discrimination in unemployment.

"HR 183 interstate commerce act 27 Dingle bill.

"No. 1 conservation corps -

"HR. 3000 Federal aid for education by Congressman
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"S 49 administration bill by SEN. KUCHEL.

"California State Assembly bill no 15 to abolish capital punishment.

"The panel discussion was led by MILDRED SIMON and concerned the European common market.

"The panelists read prepared papers and newspaper clippings many of the people at the meeting felt this was a poor topic to be used at a membership meeting. The panel consisted of MILDRED SIMON, SUE BRESSLER, and GRACE RIDLEY.

"SUE explained that Brussels Belgium is the meeting place for the common market. They discussed the tariff law, and such things as imported wine, and chickens. A question was asked regarding U.S. Polaris missiles for Germany. SUE said Germany was not getting any.

"The hospitality committee served the luncheon. After lunch a question and answer period was held. About 75 luncheons were served.

"A stranger was observed who had not come to the meeting with any of the members. She asked a member of the hospitality committee if it would be possible for her to stand between the piano and the cloths rack. This was an unusual request but she was allowed to stand there as all the seats were taken. She had a large purse and a large pad of paper and she proceeded to make notes in a hurried manner. The officers and members became very suspicious of her and ask PEGGY GALLIHER to try and find out who she was and where she was from. They

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"thought perhaps she was a member of the JOHN BIRCH Society. Later in the meeting she was identified by MRS. GALLIHER as YEVONE GREEN, and she said she was a member of the Humanists Group. BELLE RUBIN doubted that she was a member and so made arrangements to have ZARA BIGELMAN asked if she knew the woman as BIGELMAN is very active in the Humanist Group. She did not know her either. She is a white woman in her late forties, has greying hair, about 5 feet tall, about 135 to 140 pounds. She was wearing a tam, a short coat.

"Those present were:

"ANN PHAFF

"SOPHIE CANNON

"MRS. FRENCH

"SHIRLEY LAVINE

"SYLVIA ROSENBERG

"LILLIAN BUSCH

"HELEN HANSOM

"GUSSIE SITKIN

"PEGGY GALLIHER

"LOUISE BOWERS (BAUERS)

"SUE BRESSLER

"RUTH HARMOVITZ

"GLADYS KESSELMAN

"BROOKE CARLYLE

"SHIRLEY GIBBS

"AMELIA SLUYTER

"DOROTHY RICHNER

"ANNABELLE MARSHALL

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"ROSE BOIN

"BELLE RUBIN

"ILSE WOLFSON

"GRACE RIDLEY

"SUSAN SHEPARD

"ANN CAHN

"ROSE DRUCKER

"JESSIE PITLIK

"FANNIE STEIN

"ANNETTE SELIG

"ZARA BIGELMAN

"I learned that LOUISE BAUERS who formally was a member of the downtown chapter of WIA had recently become active in the Valley Chapter."

Informant also furnished the following information which was received through the mail at informant's home:

1. February 1963 issue of "Frontier" magazine. A review of this issue of the magazine reflects that GIFFORD PHILLIPS is still publisher and that PHIL KERBY is still editor. However, on page 7 of this issue it is noted that the magazine itself has moved into larger editorial offices at 1434 Westwood Boulevard, Los Angeles 24, California. (PHIL KERBY'S SI card indicates that appropriate change has been made). RALPH FRIEDMAN, former SI subject of this office, has an article about the change in attendance of radical-liberal students from Reed College to Portland State College, on pages 15-16. (location 100-47307-1B-2/63).

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DOROTHY MARSHALL and the Progressive Bookshop both have their usual advertisements in this issue of the magazine - and also in the March, 1963 issue.

2. March, 1963, issue of "Frontier" magazine. (Location 100-47307-1B 3/63).

3. Form letter from GIFFORD PHILLIPS, urging support for legislation to abolish capital punishment in California and invitation for membership in the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). This included a business reply envelop for the ACLU which has been destroyed. (location [redacted]).

4. February 1963, bulletin of the WLA'S Valley Chapter. Page 2 of this bulletin contains the WLA Calendar of activities for the period from 2/21 through 3/7/63. It is noted that on Thursday, 2/21/63 WLA announces that the Committee to Preserve American Freedoms (CCPAF) is to present a film, "Committee on Un-American Activities," at Baces Hall at 8:15 PM.

The WLA also announced the program of the new organization, "Discussion Unlimited," which was scheduled for 2/22/63 at the First Unitarian Church, Los Angeles at 8:00 PM to hear a panel on the topic of "Alternate Paths to Negro Freedom."

Monday, March 4, 1963, WLA scheduled its interim planning meeting at the home of [redacted] Van Nuys, and on Thursday evening (8:00 PM) the WLA Executive Board Meeting was scheduled to be held at the home of [redacted] North Hollywood.

WLA'S Legislative Report, by ILSE WOLFSON appears on pages 3 and 4, and 8, GUSSIE SITKIN has an article titled, "The Climate on Capital Hill, on page 5. The report on the WLA meeting on Loyalty Oaths, held in January, 1963, appears on pages 6 and 7. Reports on this topic by LILLIAN BUSCH and HELEN HANSOM are included in this article. (Location [redacted]).

5. Invitation to world premiere showing of the film, "Committee on Un-American Activities," which invitation

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was issued by the CCPAF. This also included a business return envelop for CCPAF donations, which has been destroyed.
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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 3/29/63
FROM: SA EMERY D. TURNER
RE: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT,
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP), USA
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
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<p>[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.</p>	<p>3/5/63 3/15/63 Meeting of the Coordinating Council</p>	<p>Writer</p>	<p>[redacted] (WR)</p>
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Informant furnished the following report:

"Co-Ordinating Council of the Communist
Party - Consisting of Five Clubs
and chaired by [redacted]

"March 10, 1963

Met at the home of:

[redacted]
[redacted] Los Alamitos
Tuesday, March the 5th. at 8 P.M.

cc:

100-22612
100-7181
100-47203
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100-37686
100-56581
100-4486
100-59996
100-7384
100-20737
100-7304
100-18596
100-22501

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(DOROTHY HEALEY) (ST)

100-59133 (SOUTHERN AREA
COORDINATING COUNCIL)
100-23755 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICA-
TIONS)
97-16 ("PEOPLE'S WORLD")
100-55461 (CENTINELA CLUB)
100-55457 (FAR EAST CLUB)
100-60419 (LONG BEACH CURRENT
EVENTS FORUM)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-55822 (ORANGE COUNTY CLUB)
100-59007 (C.D.C.)

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"Nine attended.

[redacted] picked up [redacted] and they drove over to [redacted] where they waited for [redacted] to arrive. [redacted] drove his car and [redacted] and [redacted] left their cars near [redacted] house.

"The meeting was short as [redacted] had to get ready for a trip to Denver, Colorado where the Mine Mill was having a convention on Thursday. She told [redacted] CUPP she wasn't sure if she could attend a Executive Meeting of the Long Beach-San Pedro Club of the Communist Party which was being held at [redacted]

[redacted] brought The Worker Supplement for Feb. 17, 1963 and asked that all Clubs take some and perhaps give some to friends, this is to be put on the Agenda for the next meeting which will be April the 1st. at [redacted] The Debate in the International Communist Movement.

"Money was handed in for the P.W. drive. Centinella has about \$80., Far East \$40.00 and L.B-San Pedro handed in \$18.00.

[redacted] asked that all clubs mail out CALIFORNIA ENDS THE NIXON ERA by DOROTHY HEALEY, spokesman for the Communist Party Southern Calif..

[redacted] announced the Long Beach Current Events Forum and handed out literature. GERMAIN BULCKE will speak on: The Two Germany's. Machinists Hall, 728 Elm Avenue, Long Beach. Friday, March the 15th. at 8 P.M. Room #6 Third Floor.

[redacted] said that they were being run out of town by the Birchers, a garage where he has traded for many years said they couldn't serve him anymore because if they do they will be boycotted. There house is up for sale. Some man by the name of [redacted] goes out of his way to harrass the [redacted] If they go to a Peace gathering and this man is there he will say 'Well I see my Communist neighbors from Orange County are here.

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[redacted] gave a report on the CDC meeting she had attended in Long Beach, March the 2nd. at the Breakers hotel. [redacted] suggested that perhaps [redacted] should join the Tom Paine Dem. Club.

[redacted] said the Communist Party was putting out a bundle of five papers - It wasn't clear as to how this would work. [redacted] was to find out more regarding this. It will be for people who don't want the paper delivered to the door.

[redacted] handed in two renewals of the P.W. for L.B. State and Long Beach City College. The money was given to the Long Beach-San Pedro Club by [redacted]

"An announcement was made of the L.B. Sobell Comm. Affair at the home of [redacted] Sat. March the 9th. at 8 P.M. Pictures will be shown.

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[redacted] said she thought she had a speaker from her office for the next Forum in April. (L.B. Current Events Forum)"

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

'Peace March' Staged by 1500

Some 1500 "peace marchers" in motley array, sporting beatnik beards, carrying folk guitars and placards, and pushing baby carriages, yesterday made a two-mile march from MacArthur Park to Pershing Square and return.

About 100 members of anti-Communist groups including Hungarian Freedom Fighters, Free Cuba and John Birch organizations carried opposition banners.

A few fragrant eggs and

some over-ripe fruit were tossed, but there were no physical clashes. Police stayed at a discreet distance.

Oscar-winning Puerto Rican actress Rita Moreno spoke for disarmament before the MacArthur Park assembly declaring that "the country can't afford the war race."

Amid sporadic scuffles, cheers and jeers, a group of six youths appeared in Nazi-style costumes, storm trooper boots and swastika armbands.

After the formal speech-making, pro-left and pro-right supporters splintered off in groups and continued the debate for several hours.

Police picked up for questioning two peace marchers, one juvenile without an ID card and a man who was carrying a bag of eggs.

Paul H. Talbert, Beverly Hills realtor and John Birch Society official, commented, "I'm only sorry that we didn't have 10 times as many here to refute the words of this motley group."



—Herald-Examiner Photo—

RITA MORENO AT PEACE RALLY
Actress speaks at MacArthur Park.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Editor:

Title: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Character: LA 100-59001 *

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Classification: IS - C

Submitting Office: Los Angeles

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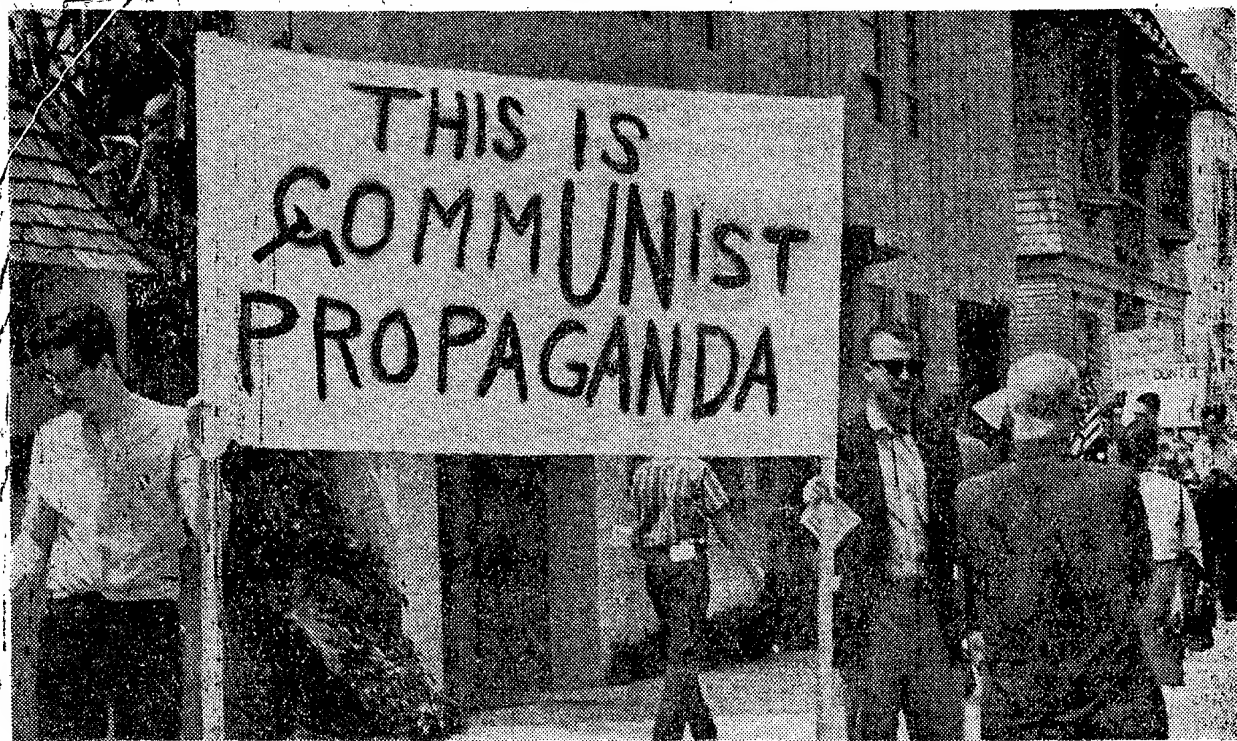
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Foes of peace group with "warning" banner precede marchers.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763) DATE: 3/27/63
FROM: SA EMERY D. TURNER
SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED]	3/5/63	3/13/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

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DATE 5-8-96 BY SP4-BJA/JM

Informant furnished the following written report:

cc: [REDACTED]

100-55457 (HARBOR SECTION)
100-7181 (SI)
100-22612 (SI)
100-37686 (SI)
100-56525 (SI)
100-47203 (SI)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-18596 (SI)
100-59133 (SOUTHERN AREA COORDINATING
COUNCIL)
100-55458 (TRADE UNION MISC. INDUSTRIAL
SECTION)
100-23901 (EDUCATION)
100-26046 (NATIONAL GROUP COMMISSIONS)
100-20737 (SI)
100-41648 (LACJMS)

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March 27, 1963
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"Long Beach
Mar. 7, 1963

"On Mar. the 5 1963 the Harbor Area Consul of
the Communist Party USA met at the home [redacted] in
Los Alamitos Calif. at [redacted]

"Those present were:

[redacted]

[redacted] who I have never seen before

[redacted]

"and a woman I have never seen she was with

[redacted]

"and myself [redacted]

[redacted] said that he was being harassed
by the Birch So.

"The Birchers contacted a service station that he
is being doing business for years and they told the owner
not to trade with [redacted] said that the service
station owner told him to take his business elsewhere.

[redacted] reported that the West Compton
Civic Club, is being led by 2 communist and its a very
active club in 9 Prec. in the Compton Area. She talked
like she know them.

[redacted] said that a man from L.B. State
had been the speaker at the forum. His name is APPLEGATE.

[redacted] said that the Unions and the Party are not
working together very well and told us we must do everything
we can to bring better relations between the Party and the

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"Union San Pedro Sat. But she didn't tell us where except to fear this could go to the meeting.

"We are to study the great debate of the USSR and China and [] will give the educational at our next meeting. They are quiet concerned about the USSR-China break.

"Most of them seem to favor the USSR.

"The SOBELL Com. is have a meeting at [] on Mar. the 9th."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59133) DATE: 4/12/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN AREA COORDINATING COUNCIL
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
COMMUNIST PARTY (SCDCP)
IS-C

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	3/5/63 Area Council Meeting	3/25/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

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Informant furnished the following written report:

cc: [REDACTED]

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100-56525
100-37686
100-22612
100-56581
100-18596
100-25777
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100-55455
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(PEOPLE'S WORLD)
(MORANDA SMITH SECTION)
(JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)

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"March 5, 1963

"There was an area council meeting Mar. 5, 1963.
P.M. Held in the home of [redacted]
[redacted], Los Alamitos, Calif. Sponsored by the Southern
Calif. District Communist Party.

"Those who attended were:



[redacted] 5' 11", black hair and eyes,
weight 185,

[redacted] 5' 6" Black hair, weight 165,
her address is [redacted]., Los Angeles.

[redacted] was supposed to be there to give a
talk on the 'Big Debate', but couldn't make it and he will
be at the next meeting. April 1, 1963, to be held at the
home of [redacted], Lakewood, Calif.

"Progress reports were given on the P.W. drive.
[redacted] turned in \$40 and some odd cents,
collected from the dinner held at their home Mar. 3, 1963.
[redacted] said the members of the Inglewood Club, are donating
one days wages each. [redacted] said they didn't have the work-
ing force to have an affair, so they might arrange some-
thing with the Watts group like they did last yr. [redacted]
[redacted] said they were having a breakfast Mar. 31, invita-
tions to be sent out later. [redacted] didn't know as yet
what his group was going to do. The Long Beach Club
turned in \$28.

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"The [] have their house up for sale. []
[] said the BIRCHERS had visited the garage where he
has done business for a long time. The owner of the garage
told [] he would give him a good recomendation at any
other garage he decided to do business with."

ACTION:

On 3/28/63 informant was interviewed concerning
this report and advised [] driver []
[] Informant also identified photos of []
and [] as the [] mentioned in in-
formants report.

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could
add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this
memo has been taken by the writer.

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IRWIN A. SHANE
DIRECTOR



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April 20, 1963

Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Justice Department
1340 West 6th Street
Los Angeles, California

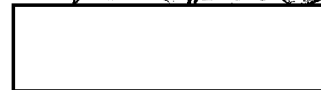
Dear Sirs:

I am interested in joining the John Birch Society organization, but first
I would like to know if they are on your subversive list.

Sincerely,



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1340 West Sixth Street
Los Angeles 17, California
April 23, 1963

[Redacted]
RCA Institutes, Inc.
Pacific Electric Building
Los Angeles 14, California

Dear [Redacted]:

Thank you for your letter of recent date.

Although I would like very much to be able to assist you, I must advise the Federal Bureau of Investigation is strictly an investigative agency and information in our files is confidential and available for official use only. Furthermore, the Federal Bureau of Investigation makes no evaluations or recommendations concerning the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. You should not interpret our inability to furnish any comment as implying that we do or do not have information in our files concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

W. G. Simon
W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

1 - Addressee

① - Los Angeles (100-572001)

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12) *JOS*

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 4/19/63, [redacted] West Coast Representative, HCUA, furnished the Los Angeles Division with a manuscript copy of a forthcoming booklet captioned "Kangaroo Court versus the John Birch Society" written by A. J. MAC DONALD. The Los Angeles Division has previously furnished information to the Bureau concerning Mr. MAC DONALD, who is the executive officer of Citizens United for America, Inc. (LA 62-4943).

[redacted] advised that the article attributed to A. J. MAC DONALD was ghostwritten by OLIVER CARLSON.

The 32-page booklet will be published with funds furnished by PAUL H. "TEX" TALBERT, who is a member of the National Board of the John Birch Society.

A photostatic copy of the booklet is being furnished to the Bureau for general information, and the original is being returned to [redacted]. The Bureau's attention is respectfully directed to pages 16 and 17 wherein comments are made concerning the FBI and Director HOOVER.

The foregoing is being furnished to the Bureau for information.

A photostatic copy of the booklet is being retained in the files of the Los Angeles Office, and no further action is contemplated by the Los Angeles Office at this time.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-33973) DATE: 4/11/63
FROM: SA [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED]	3/8/63	3/25/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

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Informant furnished the following typewritten report:

cc: [REDACTED]

100-63472 [REDACTED]
100-24642 (STEPHEN FRITCHMAN) (SI)
100-29162 (GUS HALL)
100-42162 (BEN DAVIS)
100-4486 (DOROTHY HEALEY) (SI)
100-55955 (PACIFICA FOUNDATION)
62-1664 (HCUA)
100-61745 (WISP)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)
100-48290 (POLITICAL AFFAIRS)

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"JOE DOLAN, Unitarian Forum, 2936 W. 8th St.
Los Angeles, March, 1963; topic: 'U.S. Ministeries of
Propaganda and Peace' Attendance: Full house. Donation
\$1.00

"FRITCHMAN:

"I'm going to make a most important announcement
twice tonight, because of it's urgency...Our speaker tonight,
JOE DOLAN, says the things that must be said today and to
preserve our free speech, I urge everyone of you to write
to radio station manager of KHJ, at 5515 Melrose Ave.
Hollywood 38...He has no sponsors, so is on the air on a
sustaining basis and we must give him all the support
possible. Get a friend or neighbor to add to your letter
writing and do it within the next 48 hours...let's get 1000
letters to KHJ, to keep JOE DOLAN on the air...and here he
is...(applause)

"DOLAN:

"KHJ radio is indeed bold to have me on their
station as I not only do not have a sponsor, not a single
sponsor will have me...I'm the kiss of death...so I'd be
most grateful for your support...your letters need not be
literary masterpieces nor do you have to agree with me....
just say that KHJ must demonstrate freedom of speech...my
TV program does not have much rating either...in fact, TOM
DUGGAN and GEORGE PUTNAM for example, have 7 or 8 point
ratings and all I can master is about 1.2...it is amazing...

"I went into radio and TV about a year and a half
ago and I've been appaled at what goes on...about 85% of the
news today is yellow journalism...the facts do not come
through...all we want is the truth but just try to put it
over the air...I try to be objective. (applause)

"I have chosen to speak tonight on the U.S.
Ministeries of Propaganda and Peace...sounds sinister, huh?
like HITLER'S Germany, or Mussolini's Italy, or KHRUSCHEV'S
Russia?...well, of course we don't actually have a ministry
of propaganda here but let me tell you what we do have...
let's start with the FBI...which is supposed to investigate
criminals, but does it?...no, unless you want to go back to
DILLINGER, and that was many, many years ago...actually,
today the FBI investigates subversives, with J. EDGAR HOOVER

"as the head said...I dare say that one day we'll give up the St. Christopher medal and in its place we will all have a Saint HOOVER medal around our necks...(laughter) but we must investigate those dirty old Russians...is GUS HALL a criminal? or BEN DAVIS or DOROTHY HEALEY? ... of course not ...and they are certainly guaranteed the freedom of speech as Americans...but the FBI keeps right on investigating the mean old Russians....there are only about 7800 members of the Communist Party USA at the present time and about 1500 of these members are now in the FBI...they have infiltrated... if a vote was taken, these 1500 could vote the FBI right out of existence...(applause)

"Right along with the FBI, let's look at the Senate Internal Security Committee...those men are nothing but waffle-bottom political hacks.. ignorant old men, who are branding people of our country to the point where they are deprived of earning a living, because of their smear tactics...the attack on Pacifica is appalling, denying free speech.

"Then there's the House Committee on Un-American Activities...more waffle-bottoms...their hearings against the Women's Strike for Peace was an insult to these fine women who are working for peace...those men on the Committee sat there reading newspapers...which could have been upside down for that matter...these actions are really un-American.

"And take the CIA...it reminds me of the little girl who had such a terrible problem with coordination... the poor little kid would stumble, stagger, fall down and was all mixed up...someone said they just didn't see how she could do all of these things at once...well, that's the way it is with the CIA... how can they bungle things so badly?..(laughter the monstrous CIA monument down in Fairfax was built with your tax dollars and it's about as conspicuous as the Washington Monument...how does ALLAN DULLES have the audacity to brag about anything the CIA does?

"Then we have the State Department and the Pentagon.. here are some more real bunglers...we just don't get any degree of honest reports from these waffle-bottom boneheads... they have sent 3 billion dollars of your money to Viet Nam, for what? And before that, we lost thousands of American lives in Korea, plus another ten thousand who were maimed and crippled for life...and yet the defense budget goes ever higher...the whole thing is a hoax...South Korea was so corrupt with Rhee...and we simply have to get rid of

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"CHIANG...his little free island, I could gag...that island of Formosa is about to sink from the weight of all the U.S. military...

"I was in the Air Force and an officer in the Reserves, but honestly, when I saw what went on, the time wasted, the clock-watching, the money wrecklessly spent, I couldn't tolerate or stomach any more of the Civil Service... I saw a General keep 8 colonels waiting while he had a shave a haircut...of course, he kept me waiting too, but I wasn't a colonel. They spend very little time solidering and do you know how much time the National Guard boys put in?///just 2 days a month, one weekend... we simply have to get rid of this military set-up...(applause)

"It's nauseating to go to the airport and see busy little men, wearing tight shouldered black suits, carrying portfolio cases that are stuffed full of secret, hush-hush material, going to Washington...new designs for bomb sights, or missile designs ad nauseum...only recently I spoke to a group of ladies and after the meeting, a young lady, about 24 came up to speak to me..she said that her husband is working on missiles cones...he admits that there are already thousands more made than will ever be needed, ever, but its a job, so he keeps right on making missile cones...so you see, we do have a real problem in working out a satisfactory transition from defense work to a peaceful economy, or we will be faced with utter choas.

"The United States is a proud, powerful and productive nation and we should be sending books to Africa, not bullets...food to India, not bombs...medicines to Cuba, not missiles...all of our money is being spent on the military until eventually, we'll end up broke and without anything at all...the meetings at Geneva go on like the brook... Russia has done everything but lie down flat, in order to cooperate on a test ban, but Washington doesn't want any such thing and so long as we continue to build bigger missiles, Polaris subs and keep on testing nuclear bombs, of course, it's a sure thing that Russia will do the very same thing, and we're to blame...it would serve us right if they won...

"Then we have President KENNEDY...lots of people defend him by saying that he hasn't done anything...well, they're so right...he hasn't done anything (applause)... nothing to stop the arms-build up or put a stop to the

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"billions of dollars, your dollars, for defense...and his brother TEDDY is now determined to do big things for Massachusetts...you wonder what...well, of all things, TEDDY is going to see that Mass. manufactures more M-1 rifles...but TEDDY will keep the war game going in Mass. to make more profits for corporations...

"Then, of course we have BILLY HARGIS and General WALKER...they're now on a nation-wide tour called Operation Midnight Ride...fine chaps...(laughter)...I hope to have them on my program when they get to L.A. These two fellos are supported by the JOHN BIRCH Society and MR. WELCH, and the thing that amazes me is the fact that as long as these people are on the right, it's O.K...but if you're on the left, it's socialism...well, all of our huge defense plants are pure socialism...they start from the top, with President KENNEDY, then through the State Dept. and Pentagon...then the Federal Government builds the plants and it's then called, and I could gag again when I say free enterprise...

"Just look at what is happening in Viet-Nam...the U.S. military goes in with weapons and equipment, where we have no business at all...a poor Vietnamese family had worked hard to build a crude thatched hut which meant a lot to these pverty stricken natives...what happens? a U.S. jelly bomb is dropped on the thatch roof and the humble home is burned to the ground...the reason for this? a communist pamphlet was found inside that hut...those dirty old Russians must have put it there We might remember that the Russians have the same digestive systems as we...they get just as hungry and work just as hard for peace...in fact, the Cuban revolution proved to be the most successful progressive action in the last 50 years...

"I will conclude with the thought that we must have a vision for a viable climate...and as for free enterprise, it is a triple plated, double jointed phoney...(applause)

"Q...Where can we get honest news?

"A...There are still a few authoritative sources, such as Nation and Political Affairs...Saturday Review is also good.

"Q...If EUGENE DEBBS was back would he be put in jail?

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"A...Well, I don't mean to be blasphemous but if Jesus Christ were to come back, he'd be put in jail... because who would put up with this poor, ill-clad Hebrew... who was kind to the poor...his chances wouldn't be any better than DEBBS, today.

"Q...How do you describe freedom?

"A...The Constitution and Bill of Rights spells it out best, although I'm sure that people in Mississippi wouldn't agree...especially JAMES MEREDITH...

"Q...How can we get our country back again?

"A...You can begin by taking up your pen and write to Washington and tell your Congressman and Senators what you think of our atrocious situation.

"Q...Do we have any more business trying to get Russians out of Cuba than we would have trying to get the Greeks out of Canada, if they should happen to want to be there?

"A...That is a very astute question and certainly quite correct.

"Q...Should we protest our money being used for the military budget by not paying out taxes?

"A...No, because we wouldn't hear a word from you after you were put in jail...better pay your taxes and then shound off at meetings like this.

"Q...Do you think our country will be saved in spite of Washington?

"A...Yes, I really do because we are a proud nation with high standars...the rest of the world looks to us as the world leader, and short of a nuclear barbecue, I think we will win in the end....

"FRITCHMAN:

"Be sure to be with us for the next Forum on April 12, when we will have SIDNEY LENS, speaking on 'Latin America in a Revolution'. And be sure to write your letters to KHJ urging them to retain JOE DOLAN... (applause)!"

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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Rousselot Says Kuchel Lacks Facts on Birchers

SAN JOSE (AP) — John Rousselot, the western states' director of the John Birch Society said Thursday "fright peddlers" statements made by Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R-Cal.) indicated a "complete lack of knowledge about the Birch Society."

Rousselot, a former Republican congressman, made his remarks at a press conference. He spoke in San Jose Civic Auditorium Wednesday night.

Ask Impeachment

"Kuchel still idolizes Earl Warren for appointing him to a Senate post," Rousselot declared. "And therefore Tom tries to discredit the society."

The Birch Society has called for the impeachment of Warren, now Chief Justice of the United States and a former Republican governor of California.

Rousselot said Kuchel's "inaccurate fright peddlers' term" can in turn scare away people from the Birch group. "All we are trying to do," Rousselot said, "is merely to alert Americans to what is occurring in this country."

Rousselot denied Birch participation in what Kuchel called hoaxes advanced by "fright peddlers"—thousands of Chinese poised in Mexico waiting to attack California, or barefoot savages taking part in a military exercise in Georgia.

Rousselot said it is factual, however, that small cadres of Red Chinese troops are known to be in Mexico and that delegations from 17 foreign nations are witnessing an anti-guerrilla Army exercise, Moccasin III, in Georgia.

"For the record," Rousselot said, "the John Birch Society does advocate removing U.N. facilities physically from American shores and we do advocate cutting off U.S. financial aid to the United Nations."

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Jack Moffitt berthed with the Birch
Society founder to review movies for Robert Welch's monthly, American Opinion
... Moffitt's first review includes a reproduction of Oscar, with hammer-&-sickle superimposed on the cut of the statuette.

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Birch Society Seeks Beach Parade Float

The John Birch Society has reportedly asked Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce for permission to enter a float in that city's annual 4th of July patriotic parade, The News learned today.

Queried, Chamber secretary-manager William Gallienne said a female telephone caller, identifying herself as a member of the Garden Grove Chapter of the JBS, made the request.

Gallienne said the applica-

tion would have to be considered by parade directors, but he added that the request will likely be denied "because there is no political division for judging in the parade and other non-political groups may object and withdraw."

Meanwhile leaders of both the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and WW I Barracks in Huntington Beach told The News they would indeed object to JBS presence in the parade.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-33973) DATE: 5/1/63
FROM: SA [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: UNITARIAN PUBLIC FORUM
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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"Unitarian Forum...2936 W. 8th St. Los Angeles,
April 6, 1963.

"CAREY McWILLIAMS on 'The Radical Right'

"Attendance: approx. 1/3 full..sponsored by
Unitarian Choir.

"Donation: \$1.00

CC: [REDACTED]
100-2638 [REDACTED]
100-24642 (Rev. STEPHEN FRITCHMAN)
100-59001 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY)

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"FRITCHMAN:

"I saw something this afternoon that I haven't seen during the 15 years we've lived in Glendale...a parade of about 40 cars, with balloons, signs and noise-makers... a Bircher is running for the City Council...it should have been for our speaker tonight...

"Would like to read part of a letter from VICTOR JAMES, editor of the Beacon, in Brisbane, Australia...he is most critical of activity in So. Viet Nam...Diem is censoring all the news...it's the biggest secret war in history...the NBC and Newsweek reporters have been kicked out, as have all others who are trying to report the infamous secret war....something must be done about the managed news...

"Our speaker for tonight is on the West Coast for just today, when he appeared in a Seminar at UCLA... we are privileged to have him with us tonight...the editor of The Nation, CAREY McWILLIAMS....

"McWILLIAMS:

"I had a tour through the beautiful new Hugh Hardyman Center earlier and it is a tribute to all of you who has anything to do with it.

"The radical right appeared in January 1961 with such slogans as Get US out of the UN, Don't give Pennies to UNICEF, Impeach EARL WARREN...some wanted to even hang him...the radical right is really not a movement, but rather a persistent tendency...it comes and goes sort of like undulant fever...it isn't new either and I really don't think it will go away...we had it back in the 30's, with Father COUGHLIN and GERALD L. K. SMITH...then again during the McCARTHY era but after the censure, it faded out again until Korea...you'd better not under-estimate this radical right...

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"endemic to an industrial society undergoing social change but has nothing to do with conservatism...

"We've had such conservatives as DEAN GRISWOLD, of Harvard, and even Sen. ROBERT TAFT...these men are most articulate and have a great respect for the Constitution... the Wall Street Journal is an example of real conservative press...the radical right has contempt for conservatives and the Constitution...it rebels at law and order..

"There are about 2000 groups that cover the spectrum as actually a part of our American political tradition... the liberals and the conservatives have the same constitutional antecedents, but not the radical right...

"Let's take a look at a break-down---first there are the fanatics..like the Coalition of Patriotic Societies... these are the old-timers or rather I should say they are old-fashioned...they have been at it for possibly as long as 15 years and are usually racists, like the KKK, GERALD L. K. SMITH, NORMAN ROCKWELL and the Minutemen.

"Next are the activists and way out in front is the John Birch Society...the repeal the income-taxers, Pro-America, For America, Young Americans for Freedom, BILLY JAMES HARGIS, General WALKER, and the president of Harding College...these people feel oppressed by too many taxes, foreign aid etc. and have even attacked sacro-sanct General EISENHOWER by accusing him of being a communist...

"Then come the fronts..the Committee to Save the Monroe Doctrine, Committee to Investigate Communists at Vassar, (laughter)..committee to oppose the UN in Katanga, Committee to Stop Foreign Aid, Committee to Investigate Communist Goods on the American Scene and all sorts of others.

"The intellectuals of the radical right are WILLIAM BUCKLEY, DAN SMOOT, TAYLOR CALDWELL, PAUL HENIGHEN

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"of Human Events, which incidentally is the house-organ for the radical right...FULTON LEWIS Jr. and CLARENCE MANION...the radical right is well financed by many foundations some of which are Life Line, Veritas, the Richardson Foundation, and this is one of the largest out of the University of Penna...Cardinal MINDZENTY and a large National Foundation financed by the Lilly Pharmaceutical Co...this outfit has been pouring money into the house-organ, Human Events...\$47,000 in '58, \$51,000 in '59, \$65,000 in '60 and \$45,000 in '61...and so it goes...about \$10 million goes to the radical right each year and this can be confirmed by checking the Congressional Record for Oct. 8, 1962.

"There is a whole new complex of money-bags like H. L. HUNT, PAT FRAWLEY, D. B. LEWIS and others...in addition there are the corporate sponsors for TV and radio like Coast Federal, Harding College, Goodyear, Revere, Monsanto, Union Bag and many others, all big, reputable and financially successful companies.

"The John Birch Society claims to have about 60,000 members..they get considerable press support from all over the country...the Dallas News, Indianapolis News, Copley Press, a couple in Arizona and many others...you remember the seminars that were held some time ago..well McNAMRA put a stop to them because the military was becoming too involved...about 20 to 30 members of Congress support the radical right.

"The Americans for Constitutional Action raised a tremendous amount of money for the Nov. '62 election and although 2 Birchers were defeated here, the ACA did very well nationally...very well indeed...they elected a score or more and I'm certain that we'll be hearing from them in the future...you cannot underestimate this group.

"WILLIAM WYMAN wrote that the radical right is skillfully led but it revolts against complexity..it doesn't

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"believe there's any meaning to history, that it's timeless, that everything is proper for all time...so, a conspiracy is working, and the radical right keeps on agitating to remove the complexities, such as the income tax, foreign aid or anything that bothers it.

"EUGENE SNYDER writes that groups suffering psychological deprivation are filled with insecurity. There are two such groups today...the Protestant fundamentalists and the people in small towns who are trying to save the 'village-virtues'...these people are all what STUART CHASE calls victims of the daisy-chain philosophy...that is to say, welfarism leads to socialism; socialism leads to communism....However, let me say that these people are not to be overlooked because about 60% of Congress comes from small towns...

"Speaking of money, Gov. ROCKEFELLER doesn't seem to feel that conditions today threaten the loss of his fortune but on the other hand there's the nouveau riche...the Texans make a fortune overnight in oil and they're scared to death of losing it...and the managerial elements are worried too...automation has caused many a headache, plus political battles to get contracts...in 1945, if a man in Kansas had a couple of lathes out in his garage, he could get a defense contract, but these days, the contracts are for billions of dollars and losing out can not only break a big company, but it can practically break the economy of a state.

"The military also feels threatened...there are 2 classes of radicals here...the old-time, retired crack-pots like General del VALLE, ARLEIGH BURKE, STRATEMEYER and WARD, on down to the younger arrogants like RADFOR, STUMP and McARLEN (sp?)...these men are all filled with apprehension and insecurity...the radical right is ideologically dispossessed...they're hanging on to the old Jeffersonian philosophy...they're so busy going around sticking their noses

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"into all sorts of activities that the HUACer's don't even need to have hearings anymore...the digging is all being done for them...

"IRVING HOWE accuses the radical right of being the war party..but I wouldn't agree to that.

"The CLAY Report foreshadows our foreign policy... it practically writes off Germany and all the rest of Europe...it wants to get France back into Africa...CHIANG is put on notice that he only has 2 more years of U.S. support...not much attention is given to Viet Nam...the main emphasis is on Latin and South America...I'm wondering what will happen in Venezuela...oil is not sugar nor is Venezuela an island...our troops are very definitely earmarked for there.

"There is a growing concern over our military budget...you can see that we're a warfare state if you read the Congressional Record...less was spent this year on welfare than in 1938...Rep. TOM CURTIS, and I think he is a conservative, has suggested that one billion dollars be cut out of each service and that looks like a good start...there's far too much regional competition in military contracts... TFX is the most recent...but because there's no organized left, the right continues to influence Congress.

"What of the future? the radical right hasn't made much gain..it lacks leadership...they can't attract the masses, not yet...probably not until there is enough discontent and unemployment...it will take some kind of real disaster or traumatic event to reach that stage...people are pretty generally satisfied with their lot and will need a terrific jolt to lift them out of their lethargy..In the meantime, the radical right will be with us...well organized and well financed and it behooves us to do something about it... (applause)

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"Q... We Americans are inherently isolationists.
Are the radical right?

"A.. They are more aggressive...they remind me of the
UNESCO play when the herd of rhinos stampeded...
the radical right seems to gang up and continue
to make enough noise until they get attention.

"Q... Where are all the people as this power play
goes on?

"A.. We are in the vacumn.

"Q... Isn't it true that the Catholics rejected the
radical right?

"A.. Yes...the present Pope has shown by his recent
actions, that he wants all of his people to live
together peacefully all over the world.

"Q... Should we have a 3rd party or overhaul the
Democratic party?

"A.. A 3rd party is not the answer...and there must be
a great deal more interest shown in Congress.
For example, recently Selective Service was up for
a vote, to get rid of it. We never should have
had it in the first place. But the bill lost by
sheer default.

"Q... Do you think the country is drifting to the right?

"A... Yes, I'm sorry to say.

"(FRITCHMAN asked if there was any evidence of the
radical right being in the Executive, in Washington. Mc
WILLIAMS thought not.)"

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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-59001)

DATE: 5/13/63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: John Birch Society Activity
SM - C

[REDACTED] "The Daily Report", Ontario, Calif advised on 5/13/63 that he had a phone conversation last week with [REDACTED] "ORANGE COAST Daily Pilot", Costa Mesa, Calif, and learned the following:

At a meeting of the Costa Mesa-Newport Branch, John Birch Society (reportedly most powerful of So. Calif branches) it was announced that ROBERT WELCH would appear May 29, 1963 at a closed meeting at the "auditorium" in Ontario. This is possibly the Gardiner Spring Auditorium, of Chaffey Union High School.

[REDACTED] told him that a [REDACTED] Ontario have regularly attended Birch meetings in Costa Mesa-Newport area, make tapes and return them to Ontario for Birch chapters there. [REDACTED] and identifies him as [REDACTED] Ontario, plastering contractor, and wife MARJORIE A.

He said [REDACTED] should not be confused with [REDACTED] his father, [REDACTED] Ontario, also a plastering contractor. Nor should he be confused with [REDACTED] a brother, a realtor, on [REDACTED] Ontario.

[REDACTED] was formerly associated with [REDACTED] Alta Loma, in a contracting partnership, Norco, Calif. They had a disagreement, perhaps over Birch Society, [REDACTED] a Republican and onetime member of Republican County Central Committee in San Bernardino County, is strongly against the Birch Society.

[REDACTED] reportedly is concerned with an arms collection of several leaders of Birch Society, including a box of hand grenades.

[REDACTED] beleives [REDACTED] will discuss this information if contacted.

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<p>C. stated that he is a member of the John Birch Society, as of four weeks ago, and that he is a loyal American.</p> <p>C. wanted to advise this office that he has the intention of subscribing to the Daily Worker, because he believes that the paper gives a good indication of the trouble that they are trying to stir up.</p> <p>C. also wanted to no if the John Birch Society was under investigation.</p> <p>C. was advised that the records of the FBI are confidential.</p> <p>C. also wanted a list of subversive organizations.</p> <p>C. was given the address of Subversive Organization Sec. of the Attorney Generals office to write to and acquire a list of subversive organizations.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE <u>5-8-96</u> BY <u>SP4-BJA/JM</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">100-59001-763 <i>[Handwritten signature]</i></p>					
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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55455) DATE: 5/21/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MORANDA SMITH SECTION,
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT
COMMUNIST PARTY: (SCDCP)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Meeting 4/24/63	5/3/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

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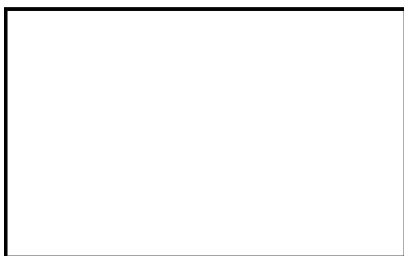
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"Los Angeles, Calif.
April 24, 1963

"Wednesday April 24, 1963 the ED STRONG Club of the [] Section of the Communist Party held its regular meeting at the home of [] Ave.

"Present were:



"The group was to have heard a report by [] on the polocios and general makeup of the JOHN BIRCH Society. However, [] said that he would like to have a little more time to compile the necessary data and re-search. The group did discuss the P.W. drive and other problems.

[] reported that the district had assigned he and [] to [] Church. [] admitted that he knew nothing about this type of work and felt that it should be the clubs joint responsibility to lend assistance when and wherever possible. It was thought that since [] knew [] and his operations that the three of them should have a prior meeting and then [] could report back at another date on how everything was going. The announcement by [] touched off a long discussion on the role that the ED STRONG Club could play in community affairs. It was agreed that two basic points should be explored; one, the youth job situation and the other was an exploration of the housing situation. However it was felt that the housing situation could be a district wide endeavor and [] was to take it to the section meeting and bring back a report on the sections feeling."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above. All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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C furnished the attached material and advised that he found it lying in the street at the corner of Annalee (19500 block) and Turmont Sts., L.A. on 6-2-63. C stated that he has looked at the material and he has found that much of the papers are letters and applications from various individuals to the John Birch Society. C desired to leave the material with this of fice if it was of any value.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)

DATE: 6/6/63

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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[REDACTED] "The Daily Report," Ontario, California, advised on 5/28/63 that his paper recently ran an ad in behalf of the John Birch Society and this ad was paid for by [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Upland, California. He said this person is the wife of [REDACTED] who is a plasterer, and brother of [REDACTED]

He noted that he previously furnished information indicating that [REDACTED] was the Birch Society leader in Ontario, but in view of the above, it is possible that the brother, [REDACTED] is recruiting for the Birch Society. Therefore, he said, participation of [REDACTED] is not known to him.

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Birchers Not Likely to Replace Welch, Official of Society Says

Two things are working against any effort to replace Robert Welch as head of the John Birch Society, one of its leaders said Wednesday in response to the Burns committee report.

"One is, I don't know where we could find, anybody to replace him," said Paul H. (Tex) Talbert, Beverly Hills insurance man and a member of the society's national council.

"Two, it might do more toward wrecking the society than helping it, inasmuch as he was the founder and did conceive the plan which has caused it to prosper and grow.

"Certainly, no other organization which has made an effort to attack the Communists has survived and prospered for the length of time the John Birch Society has."

Of the Burns committee's assessment of the society, Talbert said:

"It would have to come out good and disprove the various charges made by certain political bigwigs that it was Fascist, secret and subversive, because none of them were true.

"I think anyone open-minded would agree it was very bad for certain officials to compare the John Birch

Society with the Ku Klux Klan and the Black Muslim movement. Certainly, no one in good conscience could compare the John Birch Society with the Communist Party."

John Rousselot, western district governor of the society, said the committee's report appears to be fair from what he has heard, except that it may be unduly critical of Welch.

"The Politician isn't as well understood as it would be if read in its entirety," he said. "The committee didn't get a chance to know Mr. Welch."

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State Senate Probe Clears Birch Society

**Organization Is
Not Subversive,
Committee Says**

BY GENE BLAKE

The John Birch Society is not subversive, the State Senate Fact-Finding Subcommittee on Un-American Activities decided Wednesday after a two-year investigation.

No evidence was found that the society is secret, Fascist, anti-Semitic or un-American. The subcommittee described it as a "right, anti-Communist, fundamentalist organization."

At the same time, the subcommittee was strongly critical of the society's founder and leader, Robert Welch. Some of his accusations were described as "irresponsible," shared by only a few of his followers.

The subcommittee said it has not found the great majority of Birch Society mem-

bers in California to be "mentally unstable, crackpots or hysterical about the threat of Communist subversion."

"... There have been instances of imprudent activity and indefensible statements," the subcommittee's report said, "but such isolated occurrences are not typical of the organization as a whole."

"It is evident to us that since few members agree with Mr. Welch on a variety of matters, if he continues

to make sensational and insupportable charges he will alienate rank and file loyalty.

"There is no doubt that such statements have rendered the society vulnerable to much legitimate criticism."

The subcommittee, headed by Sen. Hugh M. Burns (D-Fresno), devoted the first 62 pages of its 202-page 12th biennial report to the Birch Society.

Other sections covering such subjects as current Communist activity, hate groups and peace organizations are dealt with elsewhere in today's Times.

'Letter' Source

The report found that much of the criticism of the Birch Society stemmed from a 268-page private "letter," "The Politician," written by Welch in 1954 and expanded from 6,000 words to 80,000 words by 1958, when he founded the society.

In "The Politician," Welch described former President Dwight D. Eisenhower as "a dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy" and his brother, Dr. Milton Eisenhower, as a Communist of 30 years' standing.

Others named by Welch in "The Politician" as aiding the Communist conspiracy—consciously or otherwise—were former Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry Truman, Chief Justice Earl Warren, John Foster Dulles and his brother, Allen Dulles.

Accused Defended

The subcommittee pointed out that at the time "The Politician" was being circulated, "these men were making the most emphatic and clear attacks against the world Communist movement, and were backing up their public utterances with courageous action."

One of the hardest of Welch's charges to swallow, the report indicated, was his assertion that publication

and world-wide sale of the novel "Dr. Zhivago," by the late Russian author Boris Pasternak, was in reality a plot hatched by the Soviet Secret Police.

"The quickest way to get thoroughly discredited in the anti-subversive field," the report noted, "is to sniff too many times in the wrong direction, and to form judgments on anything but the most reliable evidence."

Intuition Unreliable

"Intuition is not only unreliable in this field, but often diverts attention from the real target that has been too well deodorized to be exposed by a sniff."

The Burns committee said most Birchers regard Welch's early accusations as "indefensible and ridiculous." Many of the society's national council leaders have vainly asked him to repudiate his views, it added.

"The membership at large was unaware that some council members were advising Welch to relinquish at least a part of his authority," the report noted.

Replacement Urged

"In June, 1961, it was being suggested at executive committee meetings that someone replace Welch, so his earlier statements could no longer provide a basis for charges against the society as a whole..."

But Welch treated the anti-Welch campaign as a Communist-inspired technique, comparable in his opinion to the attacks against the late GOP Sens. Joseph McCarthy (Wis.) and Robert Taft (Ohio), the report declared. The matter was apparently shelved.

"It would be a mistake to attribute all criticism of the John Birch Society to the Communists, or to credit the Communists with actually planning the propaganda crusade against the society without proof," the subcommittee said.

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Critics Increase

"... there is also much proof available to show that there is a growing number of critics who are neither extremists of the right or left, and who violently dislike any organization headed by one man, when that man persists in making alarmist statements to his followers to the effect that our national leaders cannot be trusted, that our government is teeming with spies, and that the Russians spun the complicated plot to foist Pasternak's book on a naive world."

While the accusations made by Welch in "The Politician" in 1954 are shared by few of his followers, the report asserted, he has "since made other declarations that are as irresponsible and insusceptible of proof."

Welch Determined

"As matters now stand, it appears that Welch will refuse to step down from his position of absolute authority in the society he founded, and for which he established the rules of operation," the report said.

"But the pressures are constantly growing, and with every rash utterance he makes; they will continue to grow."

Of the John Birch Society itself, the subcommittee said:

"Anyone familiar with the organization and techniques of the Communist Party must immediately note the close similarity between these two implacable enemies."

"Each has a monolithic structure in which the authority gravitates from the top down through the various echelons to the rank and file membership. Each employs front organizations

which it controls from behind the scenes and through which it works.

"Each operates bookstores and reading rooms through which it spreads its ideology. Each has a staff of full-time

employees. The Communists call them organizers; the Birchers call them co-ordinators.

"Each movement operates through small units scattered throughout the country. The Communists call them clubs, and Birchers call them chapters."

Directives Issued

"Each publishes a monthly list of directives that establishes the current line of activity. The Communists call theirs "Political Affairs," and the Birchers call theirs

the "John Birch Society Bulletin."

"Each is geared to unleash a barrage of invective and attack against the other, and to bring to bear every pressure and device available."

"There is, of course, this distinction: the Communist Party is directed from abroad, despite its vehement protests to the contrary ...

Frank Admission

"The society is completely frank in stating that it has adopted many Communist techniques as its own ... There is a vast difference in the matter of disciplinary control."

"Communists are trained to obey a directive or a party assignment, whether they agree with it or not. Members of the society are

constantly told not to follow any program or directive unless they agree with it, as may be seen in many of the monthly bulletins sent to the members."

"When the policies and actions of the society are no longer supported by a member, he may resign and get a proportional rebate of his annual dues."

60,000 Members

The subcommittee estimated that the society's national membership is at least 60,000. California has about 300 chapters with between 5,000 and 6,000 total membership, but with an influ-

ence far exceeding that through other groups and literature, the report said.

"If the society exerts an influence outside the formal membership that is comparable to that of the Communist Party, for example," the subcommittee asserted, "there would be at least 60,000 persons in California oriented toward the Birch program."

At the end of the society's third year, the report said, there were 35 co-ordinators drawing a total salary of \$8,000 a week, 41 home office employees drawing another \$3,000 a week, and growth was doubling about once every five to six months.

Expansion dropped off in late 1961, but began to pick up again in 1962, according to the report. The subcommittee warned:

"As efforts are made to recruit more members, and as more subordinate officers are sent out into the field, there is an increasing probability that among the new members will be a fringe of unstable, chauvinist people who are prone to accept as accurate the most irresponsible charges of Communist activity ...

"This type of member is, of course, not peculiar to the John Birch Society, and as Birch activities have increased in California so have these irresponsible charges increased — both from right and left."

The subcommittee said it sent representatives to Birch Society chapter meetings and obtained names of mem-

bers without difficulty. Statements or affidavits were received from many members and officers, whose names are listed in the report.

"We have found the average member to have been concerned about the advances of the world Communist movement and the advances of Communist subversion in this country," the subcommittee said.

"The John Birch Society has provided the only organization with a militant program of study and action through which the frustrations of these people can be released."

The report differs sharply with one submitted in 1961 by Atty. Gen. Stanley Mosk, who described the members as primarily "wealthy businessmen, retired military officers and little old ladies in tennis shoes."

"Our own investigations cause us to disagree," the subcommittee said. "Neither have we found that any members of the society have relinquished any constitutional freedoms."

"On the contrary, they are determined that they shall not be whittled away by Welch or anyone else."

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A Fair Trial

Many of the California members of the John Birch Society have insisted that they welcome investigation of the society, on the grounds that much of the adverse criticism has been erroneous.

Now they have had it. The 12th biennial report of the Senate Fact-Finding Subcommittee on Un-American Activities has said it finds no evidence that the right-right-wing group is anti-Semitic, secret or Fascist.

However, the committee has found some fault, also. This includes strong criticism of Robert Welch, founder of the society. The committee states:

"It is evident to us that since few members agree with . . . Welch on a variety of matters, if he continues to make sensational and unsupportable charges he will alienate rank and file loyalty."

The report also states:

"We find the John Birch Society to be a right, anti-Communist, fundamental organization . . . We have found the average member to have been concerned about the advances of the world Com-

munist movement and the advances of Communist subversion in this country . . . (it) has provided the only organization with a militant program of study and action through which the frustrations of these people can be released."

It also was stated that there is "much evidence that it (the society) opposes racism in all forms."

From the report, it appears that the main basis for criticism of the John Birch Society has been reckless statements by founder Welch, as well as statements by some extremist members.

The society has now had its fair trial before a court of opinion.

The committee's report should take some of the wind out of the sails of the anti-anti-Communists and the rabid far out left wing elements.

And it also would seem that one of the problems of the John Birch Society is to clear its skirts as far as is possible of the extremists, who can cause harm to any cause.

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'Too much enmity'

Birchers won't open meetings

By MARTIN SالدITCH
Daily Enterprise Staff Writer

J. W. Longe, leader of a John Birch Society chapter in Riverside, said yesterday local meetings of the organization are not open to the public because "there is so much enmity here to us."

THE closed-door policy in Riverside contrasts with a plea Monday by John R. Rousselot, the society's western district director, that the public attend Birch meetings and "prove to themselves we are not peddlers of hate."

Rousselot, former Los Angeles congressman, spoke at a rally in Fresno in defense of the Birch Society.

LONGE, 6865 Weaver, a self-proclaimed member of the Birch Society, said each area sets its own policy as to

whether to hold open meetings or not.

"We don't want people at our meetings who will do us harm," he said. "We want to check them first and eliminate three who would be harmful to our cause."

LONGE SAID persons interested in attending Birch Society meetings should contact him or John C. Pearce, 4038 Sequoia, former chapter leader who still serves as a spokesman for the society.

Pearce said local meetings are "not open and will not be open until we get fair press representation. It is my understanding that local chapters can make their own rules on admittance to meetings."

HE ADDED, "If and when Robert Welch (Birch Society president) or Rousselot says that the Riverside Press-Enterprise can walk into a chapter meeting, then I'm going to resign. I'm not going to be chewed to pieces."

An "open meeting" was slated last night by the Birch Society at the home of Pearce for local members and interested guests.

THIS "educational" session was to be addressed by Richard Pire of Rialto, a section leader, and Tom Lucas of Santa Ana, district coordinator.

Longe invited the press to attend this meeting which gathering

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Brown Held Up Birch Report, Hiestand Says

BY CARL GREENBERG
Times Political Writer

Former Rep. Edgar W. Hiestand (R-Cal.), member of the John Birch Society, charged Monday the recent state legislative report on the society was suppressed until after last November's election at the request of Democratic Gov. Brown.

The head of the committee, Hugh M. Burns (D-Fresno), State Senate president pro tempore, immediately denied the claim. He also said that while the Senate subcommittee on un-American activities had stated the society is not subversive, he didn't think the body had given the society "a clean bill of health."

Hiestand, defeated last November, contended the society had been "completely cleared."

'Big Lie' Not Justified

The former congressman from Burbank told the Glendale Republican Women's Study Club:

"Nothing in politics, or in fact anywhere else, justifies the big lie. Deception is just as bad as outright lying.

"If the governor of a great state deliberately suppresses and keeps secret a Senate investigating committee report until after election, so that the smear on the society can be used in the election, most people would regard it as deception and just as contemptible as outright lying.

"Attorney General (Stanley) Mosk, for the governor, requested a Senate committee to investigate a famous patriotic society, accusing it of all manner of evils and even subversion. The committee fully cleared the society of these absurd charges, but the report, completed last fall, was carefully suppressed until after election."

Burns said Hiestand's statements were "not true." He declared the committee followed the same pattern it has used for many years of releasing the report during the legislative session, and the earliest it might have been released was March.

Burns told The Times: "I don't think it (the report) gave the Birch Society a clean bill of health just because it said it wasn't anti-Semitic. It's still an extremist group."

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Talbert and The Society

By MARIAN DERN

He looks as if he had just walked off the cover of an autumn issue of The Saturday Evening Post—the kind of picture with the duck hunter crouched and still in the blustery air, a ruddy complexioned, greying man with rugged frame, waiting with single-minded purpose to flush out the wild fowl.

Paul "Tex" Talbert, a highly successfully businessman and president of the Talbert Insurance Co. of Beverly Hills, conducts business from a comfortable, but unpretentious office on Santa Monica Blvd., an office filled with family photographs, hunting souvenirs, and file cabinets.

Paul Talbert

Talbert is an amiable man. But he is also a hard driving vigorous active crusader in the cause of a free Republic and in keeping America clear of Communist influence. A lifelong Republican, active in GOP circles for 35 years, he is also a member of the National Board of the John Birch Society.

TALBERT WAS willing even eager, to talk about the Society, when we sat down to talk some days ago. He had near him the newspaper account of the State Fact-Finding Subcommittee on Un-American Activities which reported after a two year study that the Society is an "anti-Communist, fundamentalist organization," but no evidence was found that it is secret, Fascist, anti-Semitic, un-American or subversive.

"Of course," remarked Talbert, "I was sure they would find that it wasn't subversive." Talbert was instrumental in securing many affidavits for the committee from Society members.

He was pleased with only part of the report, however. While finding the comments on lack of subversiveness quite accurate, he criticizes the committee for saying that the Society is monolithic and utilizes Communist techniques.

"It is monolithic like a good corporation or business is, said Talbert. A national board of executives reaches policy decisions in conference. They send out monthly bulletins to members." The national committee is a handful of appointed men from different parts of the country.

Is a vote ever taken at executive meeting? "No, we prefer not to become divided. We reach a consensus by compromise."

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The State Committee report found that many rank and file members do not go along with some of the extreme statements of Robert Welch, founder and president of the Society. Statements like the accusation that Dulles, Eisenhower, Roosevelt and others were conscious agents of the Communist conspiracy. They simply join the group because it is anti-Communist.

Does Talbert think a new leader would be beneficial? "Well, I was quoted the day the report came out as saying no one could replace Welch. All I meant was it is such an

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arduous job and so time consuming and demanding I didn't think anyone could be found."

Talbert had been quoted in the LA Times as stating "It (replacing Welch) could do more toward wrecking the society than helping it in as much as he was the founder and did conceive the plan which caused it to prosper and grow."

What about the committee statement that says the Society uses front organizations which it controls from behind the scenes?

"There are good fronts and bad fronts" Talbert believes. "If I organized a group within a church organization, for instance, to oppose some policy, conferred, got the votes lined up, then appeared in strength at a meeting I would have organized a front too but there would be no harm in that."

It is most important, Talbert stressed, to read all the committee conclusions. After saying that the Society adopts many Communist methods, the report states "there is a vast difference in disciplinary control . . . Communists are trained to obey a directive or party assignment, whether they agree with it or not . . . members of the Society are told not to follow any program unless they agree with it" and many resign with a dues refund if they find they cannot go along with Society directives or policy.

TALBERT IS currently a member of the LA County United Republican Finance Committee and served on both the Nixon and Goldwater \$100 a plate dinner committees recently. He has worked on innumerable campaigns including those of Knowland, Nixon, Shell and Rafferty.

Letters were mailed some

weeks ago by the Republican Finance Committee to the 185,000 Republicans in the 26th and 28th Congressional districts, soliciting funds for the party and asking for a choice for the Republican nomination for President next year. As of June 13, out of 3355 replies received, Goldwater had 68% of the vote, Romney, 14.5%, Rockefeller, 11.4%, Nixon, 3.8%, Scranton 1% and others, 1.3%.

Talbert is not a man to just talk without backing up his statements with letters and documents from his files. He keeps track of what "the opposition" is saying from Democratic clubs to the ACLU. He offered to show me pamphlets which tote the Communist Party line, statements about Communist activities—such as their intention to capitalize on the Negro riots. Talbert himself believes that the integration question is moving at too fast a pace. He believes the courts are helping to incite riots.

THIS BUSY INSURANCE executive is not, however, all business and politics. It is difficult to get him to talk about his many charitable activities. But one effort of which he is very proud is the Boys Club of Hollywood, developed from a small, struggling group 20 years ago, into a large well established organization that helps countless youngsters toward a healthy and happy development. Talbert aided immeasurably in the founding, financing and fostering of this activity. He is also a proud husband, father and grandfather. His daughter has just published a book, designed as a conversational guide to conservative views called "Youth on a Pendulum."

Talbert is a man with a purpose. (Continued on Page 11)

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pose. None of that looking toward retirement and ease. The morning we talked he had arisen at six for a horseback ride before work. He is motivated by the strongest desire to preserve this Republic — it has not been and can never be a democracy in his opinion — and if vigor will do it, Talbert will get it done.

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The ~~THE~~ JULY SIXTEEN INSTANT ISSUE OF THE DAILY ENTERPRISE, A RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, DAILY NEWSPAPER, ^{FORMER U.S. CONGRESSMAN} FEATURES AN ARTICLE THAT JOHN ROUSSELOT, DESCRIBED AS A JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY ORGANIZER FOR SIX WESTERN STATES, SPOKE IN RIVERSIDE JULY FIFTEEN LAST. ROUSSELOT AT A PRESS CONFERENCE BEFORE THE BIRCH SPONSORED PUBLIC ADDRESS LISTS SEVEN QUOTE GOOD CONSERVATIVE POSSIBILITIES UNQUOTE ^{FOR PRESIDENT.} FOR THE REPUBLICAN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR NOMINATION. HE STATES SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER OF ARIZONA WOULD BE QUOTE BEST BUT HE-S NOT THE ONLY CONSERVATIVE WHO COULD BE CONSIDERED UNQUOTE. ROUSSELOT LISTS THE FOLLOWING POSSIBILITIES: EX AGRICULTURE SECRETARY EZRA TAFT BENSON; REPRESENTATIVE H. R. GROSS, IOWA; SENATOR JOHN POWER, REPUBLICAN; BRUCE ALGER, TEXAS; FBI CHIEF J. EDGAR HOOVER;

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HE IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE SOCIETY IS QUOTE GROWING RAPIDLY IN CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA, ALMOST MORE RAPIDLY THAT IN ANY OTHER AREA. UNQUOTE. HE DECLINED TO RESPOND TO A QUESTION ON MEMBERSHIP BUT QUOTED FOUNDER ROBERT WELCH AS SAYING THE SOCIETY HAS QUOTE LESS THAN ONE MILLION MEMBERS UNQUOTE AND ASSERTED THAT QUOTE THIRTYFIVE PER CENT OF ALL MEMBERS IN CALIFORNIA ARE DEMOCRATS. UNQUOTE, AND IS QUOTED AS CALLING THE QUOTE SO-CALLED DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN RED CHINA AND THE SOVIET UNION AS OVER PLAYED. UNQUOTE.

CONCERNING THE BIRCH SOCIETY-S EFFORTS TO HAVE SUPREME COURT CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN^{IMPEACHED,} ROUSSELOT SAID QUOTE THE MOVEMENT IS GAINING STRENGTH DAY BY DAY ALL OVER THE COUNTRY UNQUOTE AND ADDED THAT BILLBOARDS CALLING FOR WARREN-S IMPEACHMENT QUOTE SIMPLY ATTRACT ATTENTION TO THE MOVEMENT. UNQUOTE.

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THE FOREGOING ARTICLE AND INTERVIEW CARRIES THE
BY-LINE OF ALICE NAUMAN, DAILY ENTERPRISE STAFF WRITER.

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Roadside advice

Believed the first of its kind in Riverside County, this 18 x 10 foot sign standing 25 feet high was erected this past weekend on Highway 71 just west of Elsinore. Pasted across the metal sign is a strip of paper bearing an Elsinore address as a source of "information." The artist's name is printed in small letters: "Thomas Hill, 395 Concord Ave., Belmont, Mass."

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Birch leader picks '64 'possibilities'

By ALICE NAUMAN
Daily Enterprise Staff Writer

John Rousselot, a John Birch Society organizer for six western states, yesterday in Riverside listed seven "good conservative possibilities" for the Republicans' 1964 nomination.

Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona would be "best," he said, "but he's not the only conservative who could be considered."

AT A PRESS conference before a Birch-sponsored public address last night, Rousselot listed these other possibilities:

Ex - Agriculture Secretary Ezra Taft Benson; Rep. H. R. Gross, R-Iowa; Sen. John Tower, R-Texas; Rep. Bruce Alger, R-Texas; FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover and ex-Sen. William Knowland of California.

The Birch Society is "an educational organization" and does not endorse candidates, Rousselot added.

BUT HE said if New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller is the Republican nominee, "most members will spend their time working for conservative candidates at the state level and in Congress."

Rousselot, defeated last November in his congressional re-election bid from California's 25th District, became district governor (California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Idaho) for the John Birch Society in January. He said the society is

"growing rapidly in California and Arizona — almost more rapidly than in any other area."

He declined to answer questions about total Birch membership but quoted founder Robert Welch as saying the society has "less than 1 million members." He asserted that "35 per cent of all members in California are Democrats."

ROUSSELOS — whose speech last night at Magnolia School Auditorium criticized disarmament as a "blueprint for surrender" — charged in his press conference that current nuclear test-ban talks in Moscow are futile because "no treaty with the Communists is worth the paper it is written on."

He called the "so-called disagreement" between Red China and the Soviet Union "over-played" and added:

"This is Khrushchev's plan to make himself look more moderate, so that we'll deal with him as our savior from the bomb-rattling Red Chinese."

OF THE Birch Society's efforts to have Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren impeached, Rousselot said:

"The movement is gaining strength day by day, all over the country."

Billboards calling for Warren's impeachment — such as the one put up recently near Elsinore — "simply attract attention to the movement," he said.

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The Daily Enterprise

Riverside

California

Date: July 16, 1963

Edition: City

Author: Alice Nauman

Editor: Howard H. Hays, Jr.

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Birch leader draws crowd plus pickets

By ALICE NAUMAN

A standing - room - only crowd jammed Magnolia School Auditorium last night to hear John Rousselot, John Birch Society leader, blast U.S. disarmament policy and call the United Nations a "front for the Communist conspiracy."

Four young men, carrying placards supporting the U.N. and Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren, picketed in front of the school during the 2½ - hour meeting. They declined to give their names or tell what organization, if any, they represented.

BUT INSIDE, a crowd of about 500 was enthusiastic. Applause interrupted Rousselot's speech frequently and he received a standing ovation after the 65-minute talk.

About 20 minutes of the following question - and - answer session was spent in discussing society founder Robert Welch's book, "The Politicians," in which Welch criticizes former President Dwight Eisenhower as "soft on Communism."

Copies of The Politician, the Birch Society's Blue Book, the society's Monthly Bulletin and other publications were on sale in the foyer.

ALSO AVAILABLE were printed excerpts from a report on the Birch Society by the Senate factfinding subcommittee of the 1963 State Legislature.

Sponsored by Riverside chapters of the society, the speech by Rousselot was similar in theme and content to those he has made recently in Elsinore and Palm Springs.

It will be broadcast in full by radio station KACE, but the time had not been set this morning by KACE officials.

"THE SOCIETY wants to do some advance publicity, so we may delay it a couple of days," said Milt Cook, KACE newsman, this morning.

At a press conference yesterday in the home of Arlington area attorney John Pearce, Cook was first told the station could not tape the speech. A Birch Society tape could be "borrowed" for \$5 and broadcast in full, he was told by Rousselot.

After Cook assured Rousselot that the station would use the full speech, without edit-

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ing or comment, he was given permission to tape it.

"WE'VE BEEN tampered with so many times, we have to do this," Rousselot said. "So often things are taken out of context and misinterpreted."

At last night's meeting, envelopes were passed out in the audience with which persons could order the Blue Book, the Monthly Bulletin and the society's American Opinion magazine, or express interest in attending a society meeting.

Rousselot and others last

night made several comments apparently designed to dispel the semi-secret image of the Birch Society.

IN INTRODUCING himself, Dick Pine of Rialto, a section leader of the John Birch Society, drew laughter when he said: "Welcome to this 'secret' public meeting."

Rousselot handed out copies of the Blue Book to members of the press at a conference yesterday.

"This is so 'secret,'" he said, "that about 500,000 copies have been distributed."

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

To impeach Earl Warren**Birchist: we're
sponsoring drive**By **HERB PASIK**

Daily Enterprise Staff Writer

ELSINORE — A member of a John Birch Society chapter here confirmed last night that his organization is sponsoring a billboard and "information" campaign in this area to impeach Earl Warren, chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

THE CAMPAIGN in the Elsinore area was made public this month with the erection of a sign on Highway 71, just west of Elsinore, which states, "Save Our Republic! . . . Impeach Earl Warren."

In smaller letters, the sign said information could be obtained by writing to "Box 971, Elsinore."

Galal Gough, an Elsinore banker, told the Daily Enterprise last night that the post office box is used by "anyone" in the society's Elsinore chapter.

Gough said he is a member of the chapter and that he and other members are authorized to fulfill requests for information about the campaign.

~~INCLUDED~~ in the informa-

tion supplied by the society are copies of:

"Nine Men Against America . . . The Supreme Court and Its Attack on American Liberties," by Rosalie M. Gordon; a speech by Sen. James Eastland of Mississippi on the Supreme Court's authorities in segregation cases; "Republics and Democracies," a speech by Birch Society founder Robert Welch; "Is the Supreme Court Pro - Communist?" by Sen. Eastland; the society's June bulletin; a pamphlet entitled, "The Conference of Chief Justices," and a "pocket" petition to "The Congress of the United States to Impeach Earl Warren."

The petition has spaces for 50 signers and their addresses.

GOUGH, who said the ultra-conservative society has "a pretty good membership" in Elsinore, was uncertain whether a second billboard similar to the one near Elsinore exists in Riverside County. It has been reported that one has been erected on Highway 79 in the San Jacinto Mountains, foothill area.

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Edition: City

Author: Herb Pasik

Editor: Howard H. Hays, Jr.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-5724) DATE: 6/27/63

FROM: SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP)
RACIAL MATTERS

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be concealed	Visit with [redacted] of NSRP 5/26/63	5/27/63	Writer	[redacted]

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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"Santa Ana, California
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"On 5/26/63 [redacted] contacted [redacted]
[redacted] National States Rights Party (NSRP) by
telephone at [redacted] residence on [redacted] in
Garden Grove, California. [redacted] asked [redacted] when would
it be best to get together. [redacted] said he was just about
to call [redacted] and if [redacted] had no objections he would come over.

- ccs: 1 - RICHMOND (REGISTERED)
(AMERICAN NAZI PARTY, aka; WORLD UNION OF FREE
ENTERPRISE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS, aka;
GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL)
2 - BIRMINGHAM (REGISTERED)
(KU KLUX KLAN)
(NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY)

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[] arrived at [] residence at about 7:45 pm. From the residence both [] and [] went to a coffee shop in the immediate neighborhood.

[] gave [] an application for membership in the NSRP which he had previously filled out. [] accepted the application and said he would forward it to the National headquarters of the NSRP. He said [] could expect to receive his membership card.

[] said the NSRP intends to establish 'cells' throughout the state which will be composed of 'hard core' members of the NSRP. He did not comment on whether or not there were any cells presently in existence. He did say there would be a meeting in the near future.

[] commented that [] State Organizer of the NSRP, who was residing in Corona, California, had returned to Birmingham where he is scheduled to take over a group.

[] said he is State Director of the NSRP in California. In this capacity, he receives all instructions from the National Headquarters and in turn passes them out locally throughout the state.

[] gave [] an extra copy of the NSRP application blank, a copy of 'Judas, Brutus and 'J.F.K.', a poem by COURT ASHER, a 'sticker' of the KKK which [] said he had received from a member in Texas.

[] gave [] \$5.00 which was for membership for one year. [] said the \$5.00 included a one year's subscription to 'The Attack' and a one year subscription to the 'Thunderbolt.'

"In regard to the Klu Klux Klan (KKK), [] said that some of the groups of the KKK had joined the NSRP.

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[] then mentioned that 'National White Party' in Alabama had merged with the NSRP. Also, another organization, which had published 'The Rebel' a well known publication in the South, has merged with the NSRP. He mentioned membership in the NSRP has picked up in the recent past because of the Birmingham situation.

[] then discussed the John Birch Society (JBS). He said he is a member of one unit of the J.B.S. which consists of 10 or 11 members who get together once a month. He described this unit as one which does discuss anti-semitism and anti-Negro matters. He said this is unusual for a J.B.S. group & that if it were known by the National Headquarters of the J.B.S., the group would probably be disbanded.

[] mentioned he knows LINCOLN ROCKWELL but that he is not a member of ROCKWELL's party. He said the platforms of the Amer. Nazi Party and the NSRP are practically identical, the only difference being that the NSRP does not utilize the Swastika.

ACTION

Informant was thoroughly interviewed regarding the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with the above has been taken by the writer.

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[] (aka Rev. []
National Organizer of NSRP)

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)

DATE: 7/1/63

FROM : SA HENRY F. ALSTON

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Unit meeting, 6/14/63.	6/15/63	Writer	[redacted]

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Informant furnished the following information:

"June 15, 1963
Santa Ana, California

"On 6/14/63 [redacted] National
States Rights Party of California invited GENE DOYLE to attend
a meeting of the John Birch Society held at [redacted]
Fullerton, California, residence of [redacted] and his wife
[redacted]

CC: [redacted]

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"Those present were:

[redacted] and his wife [redacted]
(coordinator for Birch Society -
said he reported FNU [redacted] who is
coordinator for Orange, Riverside and
San Bernardino counties.
[redacted] LNU (not a member of the John Birch
Society but does attend all the
meetings)

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[redacted] previously informed [redacted] that
this particular unit of the John Birch Society was unusual in
that it was basically anti Negro and anti Jewish and was in
accord with the National States Rights Party.

"Upon [redacted] passed out copies of the 'Thunderbolt'
official publication of NSRP.

"The meeting was chaired by [redacted] The
agenda followed closely that set forth in the bulletin for
June of 1963 of the John Birch Society:

"1. Recruitment

"It was advised that the club is currently recruiting
new members.

"2. Impeachment of EARL WARREN

"A general discussion was had on the necessity of
impeaching EARL WARREN.

"Following the close of the meeting [redacted] passed out
literature of the John Birch Society.

[redacted] indicated he is an officer in Naval
Reserve at Los Alamitos Naval Air Station.

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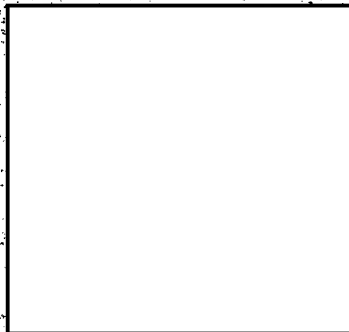
"During the meeting a discussion was had on [redacted]
[redacted] of the 1st Central Baptist Church. It was the
consensus of opinion that [redacted] was in it just for the money
and is an 'out and out' hypocrat."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning
the above and could furnish no additional information.

All necessary action in connection with this memo
has been taken by the writer.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 7/3/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] (Canoga Park, Calif.) PSI who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	General meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA 5/23/63, at the Valley Colonial House, North, Hollywood, Calif.	5/27/63	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

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"The May 23rd, 1963 meeting of the Women For Legislative Action was held at the Valley Colonial House 4810 Whitsett, North Hollywood, Calif. The meeting was opened by AMELIA SLUYTER, pre-sider of Valley Chapter, at approximately 10:30 AM. She announced that there was a PLA council meeting going on in an adjoining room and that she was happy to say that many of the WLA women were attending it.

"BELLE RUBIN announced that tickets were still available for the June 15th awards luncheon, but that they should be purchased as early as possible as they were sold out two weeks ahead of time last year.

"AMELIA then read the nominees for council and Valley Chapter. No recommendations were made from the floor. She also read a list of those selected for appointee offices. They were

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"LOUISE BAUERS - telephone, BROOKE CARLYLE - publicity, SYLVIA ROSENBERG - hostess, ILSA WOLFSON - Civil liberties. Others mentioned for appointive offices were: HARRIET KRIETZER, NORMA GILBERT, EVELYN PEARSON, CAROLYN BAKER and ANN CAHN.

"AMELIA SLUYTER introduced LILLIAN BUSCH who read the legislative report compiled by JESSIE PITLIK (JESSIE could not attend the meeting). It was recommended that letters be written on the following:

"CIVIL RIGHTS - to Pres. KENNEDY asking that he take the leadership in pushing through more Civil Rights legislation.

"To Senator KUCHEL commending him for co-sponsoring civil rights legislation. It was also recommended that KUCHEL be congratulated for his speech on the floor of Congress against the JOHN BIRCH Society.

"DEATH PENALTY - To Senator HUGH BURNS and LUTHER GIBSON supporting the moratorium on the death penalty.

"A.B. 921 - Positive loyalty oaths - Senator GIBSON

"A.B. 856 - public employees could take part in political campaigns - after working hours - To your Assemblymen

"A.B. 2745 - to help alleviate smog.

"A.B. 2785 - BYRON RUMFORD Chairman of Public Health S 432 Clean air act of 1963.

"Letters were written to the President and Senators KUCHEL on Civil Rights at the meeting.

"LILLIAN BUSCH then introduced ZARA BIGELMAN and GERTRUDE TREATE. ZARA spoke on Water Pollution and GERTRUDE discussed Air Pollution. They pointed out that more legislation was needed to control the amounts of impurities and poisons in the air and in the water we drink.

"AMELIA SLUYTER made the following announcements:

"A Peace Party for June 8 at 6:30 PM at the home of ROSA HILL 14227 Magnolia, North Hollywood, Calif. donation \$3.50. It is sponsored by the Peace Committee of the Unitarian Church.

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"Discussions Unlimited are presenting DR. JUDD MARMOR and H. K. WELLS speaking on Theoretical Concepts in Contemporary Approaches to Mental Illness. Dr. FRED WEAVER - Moderator donation \$1. Place L.A. High School. AMELIA had tickets.

"L.A. Integration Rally - Sunday May 26th.

"MARTIN LUTHER KING - No admission.

"LOUISE BAUERS stated that the Negroes in the South needed money and suggested that the W.L.A. treasury contribute some money to help them. AMELIA SLUYTER told her that a donation had been taken up at the last meeting and they had collected \$60. for CORE. LOUISE said that she thought the WLA Treasury ought to add to this amount.

"AMELIA said there would be a telephone poll, of the executives on the matter.

"The meeting was then adjourned till after lunch.

"After lunch the book 'Silent Spring' was raffled off. The proceeds from raffle go towards defraying the cost of coffee and dessert.

"AMELIA SLUYTER then introduced EVELYN PEARSON, who was instrumental in obtaining DR. CORA MILLER. She in turn introduced DR. MILLER. She spoke on insecticides and pesticides and their effects on plant and human life.

"Those present at the meeting were:

"AMELIA SLUYTER
NATALIE ARNOLD
MIMI ASHER
BEATRICE BENNETT (new member)
EULALIA BIRMINGHAM
ZARA BIGEIMAN
BROOKE CARLYLE
LOUISE BAUERS
SUSAN SHEPARD
MRS. MAX LEVINE
ROSA HILL
HELEN HANSOM
BELLE RUBIN
GUSSIE SITKIN
GERTRUDE TREATE

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"SYLVIA ROSENBERG
ILSA WOLFSON
BENITA CHAUM
LILLIAN BUSCH
EVELYN PEARSON
SHIRLEY GIBBS
MARILYN SLUTSKY
DOROTHY RICHNER
RUTH HAIMOVITZ
BELLE RUBIN
ETHEL SCHWARTZ
MILDRED SIMON
MRS. SIGMUND MAITLES
ANN CAHN

"AMELIA SLUYTER'S husband HARRIS tape recorded both the morning and afternoon session.

"ROSA HILL, ZARA BIGELMAN, MILDRED SIMON, MRS. MAX LEVINE, ILSA WOLFSON and HELEN HANSOM sat together. LOUISE BAUERS and ETHEL SCHWARTZ were also together.

"EULALIA BIRMINGHAM is a Unitarian. Her parents came from the 7th Ward in N.Y. She is a member of Club 28. She tutors MRS. BEATRICE BENNETT'S son. She said she used to do a lot of extemporaneous speaking and is glad to leave it to GUSSIE SITKIN and DOROTHY RICHNER and other capable ones!"

ACTION:

Informant also furnished the following literature:

1. Vol. VIII Number 9, issue of the Bulletin of the Valley Chapter of the WLA for May 1963, (location 134-2199B-82).

2. Flyer announcing the MARTIN LUTHER KING "FREEDOM RALLY" being held at Wrigley Field, on May 26, 1963. (location 134-2199B-83)

3. Announcement of the 13th Annual "Festival of Nationalities" to be held Sunday, June 23, 1963, at the American Croation Hall, under the auspices of the Los Angeles Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born. (location 134-2199B-84).

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

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It has been recommended that a 100-DEAD file be
opened on [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The names of [REDACTED]
will be indexed to this memorandum.

All necessary action in connection with this memo
has been taken by the writer.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-43513) DATE: 7/3/63
FROM: SA G. G. BENJAMIN
SUBJECT: WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION (WLA)
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	General meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA for May, held 5/23/63 at the Valley Colonial House, North Holly- wood, Calif.	5/27/63	Writer	[redacted] (WR)

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"Sherman Oaks, Calif.
5/27/63

"I attended the regular monthly meeting of the Valley Chapter of WLA on Thur. May 23, 1963 which was held at the Colonial House 4810 Whitsett, North Hollywood Calif.

"AMELIA SLUYTER Chapter President chaired the meeting. SHIRLEY GIBBS and SYLVIA ROSENBERG handled the table with the guest book.

"During the morning session those girls who had been nominated for office for the membership year 1963-64 were introduced and stood up. GUSSIE SITKIN has been nominated for the position of WLA Council President and DOROTHY RICHNER as WLA Council legislative Vice President. AMELIA SLUYTER has been nominated for re election as Valley Chapter President.

"During the morning a portion of the period was taken up with letter writing. We were instructed to write to Senator KUCHEL to commend him for his speech opposing the JOHN BIRCH

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"Society. Also part of the morning was taken up with a continuation of the discussion on proposed legislation which was not finished during the April monthly meeting. Bills discussed included the death ban bill, a school bill, participation in political activities by public employees, Health bill, (AB 2785) and civic rights bill. It was suggested that we write letters to BYRON RUMFORD concerning A.B. 2785.

"ZARA BIGELMAN and GERTRUDE TREATE spoke during the morning session concerning pollution. Following an intermission for lunch the book raffle was held. The book was won by a new girl whose name I did not know. The book was The Silent Spring by RACHEL CARSON.

"ZARA BIGELMAN introduced DR. CORA MILLER of Whittier College the guest speaker for the afternoon session. Her topic was very similar to the information the girls had persented during the morning session. It was announced as Insecticides Help or Hazard? She told how sprays used on fruits and vegetables can be dangerous to the population. To of the things she mentioned were Rotenone, Pyritheum. She also mentioned radio active fall out as an agent that can poison things we eat.

"She said she does everything in moderation including eating, sleeping and sex. She said DDT spray is one of the worst. She also told about the unsanitary conditions in countries such as Egypt. She explained that the use of detergents is poluting our waters. AMELIA SLUYTERS husband was present at the beginning of this meeting and he stayed for the entire program including lunch.

"I learned that BROOKE CARLYLE bulletin editor was inquiring as to what had happened to KATHERINE BLANKENSHIP since she has not been to any of the WLA meetings recently.

"Those in attendance were:

"BENITA CHAUM
GLADYS KESSELMAN
ILSE WOLFSON
GUSSIE SITKIN
CARLYN BAKER
SYLVIA ROSENBERG
SUSAN SHEPARD
SHIRLEY GIBBS
ROSA HILL
GERTRUDE TREATE
MIMI ASHER

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"MILDRED SIMON
BROOKE CARYLE
RUTH HAIMOVITZ
FANNIE STEIN
ANNABELLE MARSHALL
DOROTHY RICHNER
A.E. BIRMINGHAM
PEGGY GALLIHER
AMELIA SLUYTER AND husband
LOUISE BAUERS
HELEN HAMSON
ROSE BOIN
KATHERINE ZETTAS
CELIA KAREN
SARAH GLADE
DORA TEMKIN (FLORENCE'S mother-in-law)
FLORENCE TEMKIN
ESTHER PALO
SHIRLEY LAVINE.

"I also learned at this meeting that LOUISE BAUERS is
alergic to cigarette smoke."

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add
nothing further to the above.

The names of DR. CORA MILLER, and SARAH GLODE will be
indexed to this memorandum. It is recommended that a 100-DEAD
file be opened for future channelizing purposes on [redacted]
husband of [redacted]

All necessary action in connection with this memo has
been taken by the writer.

Note: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

Subject's name and aliases JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY		Address of subject		Character of case 100-59001	
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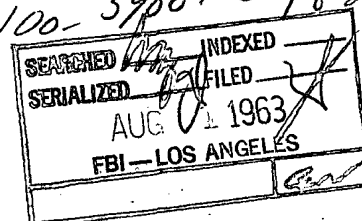
Facts of complaint

Complainant stated was employed in a hospital and the JBS had been using her to stir up little trouble spots in political situations. Had heard from "the grapevine" that a doctor was one of those behind starting the rumors and he was a member of the JBS. She refused to identify this doctor or the source of her information. Complainant wanted protection against the JBS doing thos to her.

Was advised FBI not able to be of assistance and if she feared for her safety she should contact the local police authorities. Stated would do so as there had also been some prowlers around her place. Sounded somewhat incoherent in her remarks.

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Action Recommended	none
JOSEPH O. SMITH (Agent)	



OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-1664)

DATE: 7/30/63

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

RE: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES
(HCUA)
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	ticketing 7/1-2/63	7/15/63	writer	[REDACTED]

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Informant's report is quoted as follows:

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"7/5/63

"On Monday and Tuesday July 1st-2nd 63, I was present in front of the federal building in Los Angeles, Calif, where the House Un-American Activities Committee was in session, and I observed the following:

"On Monday I arrived at about 12:30 P.M. entered the building from the Main Street side entrance went up the escalator to the Spring Street floor, there I observed a group of people of about fifty (50) standing in line in front of one of the elevators, among those in the group I noticed some familiar faces upon getting closer to the group I found that those I recognized, although not by name, I have seen them at Communist Party meetings.

"From there I went outside to the Spring Street sidewalk where I observed two groups of people picketing the one group on the left side of the entrance to the building was composed of about 25 to 30 persons, most of them young adults. I did not recognize anybody in this group. The other group was marching on the right side of the entrance. In this group there were about 35 to 45 persons, many of them young adults, however, in this group there were many I have seen in Communist Party meetings. Among those were:

BILL MARTINEZ
HARRIETT BLAIR
AL ALDEZMA
SOL MONROY

"However, SOL MONROY was not marching in the picket line.

"And on Tuesday at about 11:00 AM the picket line at the right side of the Spring Street entrance was composed of about 25 to 35 people and of those the following I recognized

BILL MARTINEZ
AL ALDEZMA
HARRIETT BLAIR

DONOTHY MARSHALL who joined a group of us at about 12:00 noon on the court yard of the building.

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"It was understood that these picket line was being sponsored by the CCPAF (Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms) that is the way it was announced at a Communist Party Club meeting (6/26/63) when a leaflet announcing another affair for June 28 '63 was distributed the same leaflet being distributed there from the CCPAF announced the HUAC hearings and called for a picket line at the federal Building.

"At about 11:45 the picket line was down to about 12 to 15 persons, however at about 12:00 noon when DOROTHY MARSHALL joined the group the picket line was up to about 35 to 45 persons. At this time the other group on the left side of the building and picketing in support of the HUAC hearings had only about six persons participating, they were called Birch Society members by those I talked to (those recognized by name) at one point some one told BILL MARTINEZ that the 'Birchers' had put out a call for the Nazi Party to come help on the picket line and he repeated that to everybody he encountered and because of that conversation HARRIETT BLAIR said she was glad she (DOROTHY MARSHALL) told her to make telephone calls to get more people on the picket line, adding that she could not have stood the sun another minute and she claimed she made some telephone calls from inside the building one person she said she called was IRENE TERRAGAS.

"See enclosed leaflet received at CP meeting June 26 '63."

ACTION:

Informant was interviewed re above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action has been taken by the writer.

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